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Massachusetts

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Descendants

DOWN TO THE SIXTH GENERATION

AND HIS

Reminiscences

OF THE

OLD COLONY TOWN

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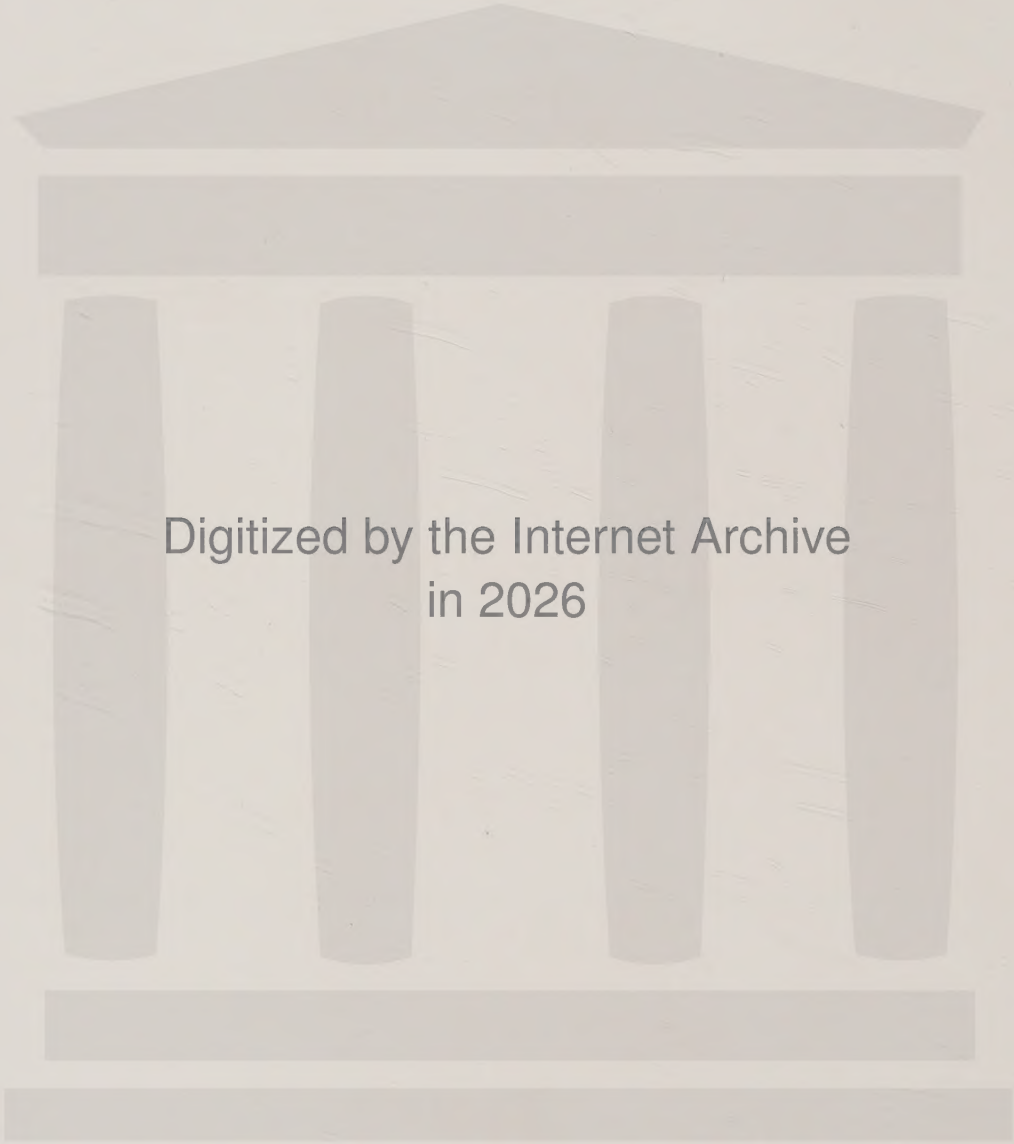
TAKE NOT THIS BOOK, MY HONEST FRIEND,
FOR FEAR THE GALLOWS BE YOUR END;
AND WHEN YOU DIE, THE LORD WILL SAY:
"WHERE IS THE BOOK YOU STOLE THAT DAY?"
AND WHEN YOU SAY YOU DO NOT KNOW,
THE LORD WILL SAY: "STEP DOWN BELOW."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God's benison go with you; and with those
That would make good of bad, and friends of foes!

Presented

TO

My Numerous Kinsmen

BY

William Bradford Weston

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HOW TO MAKE A PEDIGREE

Air, "Nelly Gray"

If you'd like a goodly tree,
With a branching pedigree,
Where you'll stand forth in full ancestral fame,
Just employ an antiquary,
Who will humor your vagary,
And have everything indorsed with some great name.
If the good Bernard Burke
Will but put it in his work,
And he'll scarcely have the heart to say you nay,
What though Garter King should scowl,
And the Scotish Lyon growl?
There's no power that can take your tree away.

Chorus.

Oh! good Bernard Burke,
Please to put me in your work,
Sure an Irish heart will never say me nay;
Then though Garter King may scowl,
And the Scotish Lyon growl,
Where's the power that can take my tree away?

As the Highland Bible showed,
There were Grants before the Flood,
And the Grants still believe it to a man;

And the like proof you can bring
That the Coultharts were the thing
Ere our own Anno Domini's began.
Just delete a letter here,
And insert another there,
And interpolate what balderdash you please;
With this Soldier and Crusader,
And that Viking and Invader,
You may soon have the best of pedigrees.

Chorus.

Then if good Bernard Burke
Will but put you in his work,
And if once you're there you're pretty sure to stay,
What though Garter King should scowl,
And the Scotish Lyon growl?
There's no power that can take your name away.

You must never care a straw
Though anachronism or flaw
Show your History and Heraldry run mad;
Though your Peer was but a Ploughman,
And you've made a Man a Woman,
And you've charters when no charters could be had.
If authorities you're scant in,
As perhaps they're wholly wanting,
You must ne'er on that account lay down the pen;
Quote Schiekfusius and Seniglesius,
With Rhubarbus and Magnesius,
And the Devil's self can't contradict you then.

Chorus.

Then, if good Bernard Burke
Will but put them in his work,
You've a very pretty chance that there they'll stay;
For in spite of Garter's scowl,
And the Scotish Lyon's growl,
There's no power that can take such stuff away.

But I'll give you here a hint
Your ambitious views to stint:
There's a limit that a wise man will not pass.
You may safely vaunt and vapor,
While it's only done on paper,
But you'd better keep from panel and from glass.
For if there you lay a brush,
It may put you to the blush,
Should the Lyon at your 'scutcheon make a dash;
Your Arms, so well devised,
Are not "duly authorized,"
All your Quarters may some morning get a smash.

Chorus.

For though good Bernard Burke
Might still keep you in his work,
There are others that would something have to say;
Old Garter with his law,
And the Lyon with his paw,
Might then mercilessly tear your Coat away!

Descendants

OF

Hon. Seth Sprague's Family

1915

Dedication

To the memory

of my dear mother

Judith Sprague Weston

"If I were hanged on the highest hill,
Mother o' mine, O mother o' mine!
I know whose love would follow me still,
Mother o' mine, O mother o' mine!

If I were drowned in the deepest sea,
Mother o' mine, O mother o' mine!
I know whose tears would come down to me,
Mother o' mine, O mother o' mine!

If I were damned of body and soul,
Mother o' mine, O mother o' mine!
I know whose prayers would make me whole,
Mother o' mine, O mother o' mine!"

KIPLING.

FISHING SCHOONER SETH SPRAGUE

THE SONG OF THE SHIP

"Oh, the sweep of the toppling crests,
The ocean's salt sea foam,
Where the rolling billows comb,
When I dance upon her breast—
With the winds abeam and the skies agleam,
In the light of the crimson west;
My sails a white cloud and I sing aloud
In a glory of beauty dressed!

When the tempests upon me pour
My body groans and creaks,
And my cordage wails and shrieks
'Midst the battling billows' roar;
Oh, I sob and cry, for 'tis hard to die,
And be known by the seas no more.
Though torn by the strain yet I laugh again,
If I win when the storm is o'er.

When I'm safe and my voyage is done,
All stowed aloft, alow;
Then the winds may rail and blow,
Who cares when the battle's won!
Oh, the sea, the sea! 'tis the place for me;
'Tis my home! Why its dangers shun?
Up, up and away! Though I die to-day,
I shall die where my life begun!"

"Long years I've waited for the sight,
My ship to come with sails so white;
She has wandered far on many a shore."

THE OLD CHURCH AT UPWEY, DORSETSHIRE, ENGLAND

"They are going down the valley, the deep, dark valley;
We'll see their faces nevermore
Till we pass through the valley, the deep death-valley,
And meet them on the other shore.

They have laid them down to rest
In the grave so cold and hard;
Bury me with the friends I loved the best,
Bury me in the old churchyard."

"It is not necessary to learn to play a harp in this world. If you win one in the next, you will have long years for practice."

Hon. Seth Sprague

OF

Duxbury, Plymouth County

Massachusetts

HIS

Descendants

down to the sixth generation

AND HIS

Reminiscences

OF THE

Old Colony Town

January

1915

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Preface

TEMPUS FUGIT

Come one, Come all.
I am your Kinsman true.

Having compiled this little book from data and information kindly given me by many different families (though not so correct and perfect as I could wish), in presenting it to my numerous kindred I crave your indulgence for any errors or omissions, and beg you will not

"View it with a critic's eye,
But pass my imperfections by,"

With a smile

and accept it in the same spirit of love and good will in which it is given. I was born on the twentieth day of June, 1830, and from living a clean, wholesome, honest, upright, frugal, temperate, and simple life, as our good old grandfather did, and ever having in mind my mottos,

"Live and let live,"
"Do unto others as you would have others do unto you,"

I set up my eighty-fourth milestone last June, with fair prospects of reaching our grandfather's age of eighty-seven years.

I strongly advise and urge the present generations of my kinsmen, and those to come in future times, to follow the good example of our fine old grandsire in living frugal, simple, and hard-working lives.

With love and good wishes for my kindred, when the time comes, I invite one and all, who feel so inclined, to come to my funeral and see how an old man who thinks for himself retires to the embraces of old Mother Earth for his everlasting rest and sleep.

W. B. W.

MY SHIPS

"How many ships with silken sails
I've launched upon the sea,
When glittering waters kissed their keels
And seraph gales were free!
I've seen them start for cloudless climes
Along a star-bright way;
Alas! these waiting eyes of mine—
Where are my ships to-day?

I scan the sea-encircled shore:
No ship rocks at its piers;
No pennons fly along the sky;
The wintry chill of years
Moans at my heart, at night, at morn;
Still through the bickering rain
I'm watching for my silken sails
That never come again."

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Ancestors

Edward Sprague (a fuller by trade) lived in Upwey in Dorsetshire, England, and died in 1614, leaving a widow and six children.

Three of the sons (Ralph, 29 years, Richard, 24 years, and William, 20 years) sailed from England in 1629 and landed in Salem, and in the summer of that year removed to Charlestown, where they with a few others were the first to form an English settlement. William in 1635 married Milicent Eames, and in 1636 removed to Hingham. They had eleven children, and eight of them were living at the time of his death on October 26th, 1675. His widow died on February 8th, 1696.

Samuel, their third son, born in 1640, removed to Marshfield prior to 1664, and married Sarah Chillingworth.

Samuel, Jr., their oldest son, married Berthia Thomas and removed to Duxbury before 1710, and John, their second son, also removed to Duxbury, and they lived on adjoining farms, inherited from their father, comprising 230 acres, called Sprague's Neck, bounded as follows:— Beginning at a point near what is now known as Sprague's Wharf, the boundary ran along the shore to Blue-fish River, thence up the river to the neighborhood of John Alden's, thence by land of Jacob Smith to meet a line which ran westward by the sites of the village school-house and the Methodist Church to the house of Daniel Glass. The two farms were divided by the road now called Harrison Street,

that on the south being occupied by Samuel Sprague, and that on the north by his brother John.

Phineas, son of Samuel, Jr., son of Samuel, son of William, married the widow of his cousin Peleg, son of John (maiden name Mercy Chandler, great-grand-daughter of Francis Sprague), and they had one son—

Hon. Seth Sprague

"Toiling—rejoicing—sorrowing,
Onward through life he goes;
Each morning sees some task begun,
Each evening sees its close;
Something attempted, something done,
Has earned a night's repose."

—*Longfellow.*

GOOD–BY

"Friends come and go—we meet and pass
Like ships upon the distant main,
A sign, a smile, a word—alas,
"Good-by"; we may not meet again.
Thus have we met with joyful hail,
Thus have we passed upon the sea,
And I have said to you, "Farewell,"
And you have waved "Good-by" to me.

Bon voyage, friend—with calm and sun
May you pursue your peaceful way,
And haven lost or haven won,
Bon voyage still from day to day!"

"Some must watch, while some must sleep:
So runs the world away."

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Our Grandfather

Hon. Seth Sprague

was born on July 4th, 1760, in the old house on his father's farm, and on the death of his father, in 1775, he had to take entire charge and care of said farm at the youthful age of fifteen. He was sixteen years old on July 4th, 1776, the day on which the Declaration of Independence was declared and published. In 1777 he enlisted as a private in the Continental Army, and at the expiration of his term returned home and engaged in shore fishing, which was a very hazardous business, as many English ships and privateers were cruising along the coast.

He was married in March, 1779, when in his nineteenth year, to Deborah Sampson, born on October 8th, 1761, and she rode on her pillion on the back of his old farm horse with him to her new home in his old farm-house, where they lived together most happily for the long time of sixty-five years up to the time of her death, November 2d, 1844. With hard work, frugality, and love they reared and brought up the large family of fifteen children, four sons and eleven daughters, who were all born in the old farm-house, and all married (the eleven girls in the old homestead) and went out and established homes for themselves in the world and helped on the progress of the times.

Our grandfather was a man of very strong constitution, vigorous, energetic, and persistent; and, although he had but little schooling in his boyhood, his great natural abil-

ities ripened and matured with age, and he soon developed into one of the leading men of his times.

He went to the Grand Banks for a few seasons and found fishing a hard, laborious, and dangerous work with small returns, and with his increasing family calling for better support he started in as a small trader with such success that in a few years he branched out and commenced ship-building, owning, freighting, and selling many vessels and establishing himself a merchant in good standing.

He was always ready to speak and work for any good cause or object, and his fellow-townsmen were pleased to call on him on all occasions of danger and emergencies, and he responded quickly, ably, and faithfully.

He was elected and served for twenty-seven years in the State Legislature, House and Senate, and worked faithfully and very ably for the interest and benefit of his town and county, as well also for the welfare of the Commonwealth.

He was twice honored by being chosen a member of the electoral college, which decides the choice of President and Vice-President of the United States.

He continued his hard work on the old farm, and lived in the old house in which he was born throughout his long eventful and happy life, to the ripe old age of eighty-seven years on July 8th, 1847, with the esteem, respect, and love of the whole community, who followed and laid him in his last resting-place, full of honors. He will not pass this way again.

"Life's blessings all enjoyed, life's labors done,
Serenely to his final rest has gone,
While the soft memory of his virtues yet
Lingers, like twilight hues when the bright sun is set."

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A GOOD CREED

"To be able to look every man squarely in the eyes; to make friends and hold them; to keep clean of mind and body; to smile at ill fortune; to laugh at my mistakes; to frown when temptation comes a-visiting; to be ready with a word of cheer when that word will help; to strive to develop to the utmost the heart, head, and hand qualities endowed by the Ruler over all; to hold all women in respect and to love one; to weave the thread of eternal optimism into the lives of all with whom I may come in contact; to worship Nature and the Great Spirit that conceived it all,—in a word, to play the game of life with a steady hand and a qualmless conscience and a real desire to be of service—that is my religion. And, say, if I can live up to the mark, don't you think I've corralled about all the creed that is necessary?"

"The end crowns all;
And that old common arbitrator, Time,
Will one day end it."

"Look up, not down—
At all this little life's mistakes!
Quick, smooth away that scornful frown—
There! Now a little smile awakes.
Look up, not down;
Good cheer brings back the old renown.
Aye, when the light of morning breaks
And saddened earth at last awakes,
Where think you we shall wear our crown?
Look up, not down!"

Grandfather

"Though I look old, yet I am strong and lusty;
For in my youth I never did apply
Hot and rebellious liquors in my blood;
Nor did not with unbashful forehead woo
The means of weakness and debility:
Therefore my age is as a lusty winter,
Frosty, but kindly."

Grandmother

"Let no day pass without some acknowledgment of your indebtedness to her. Study her unspoken wishes; receive her opinion with respect, yield your will to hers with perfect sweetness. In all that she allows you to do for her, show, by your zeal and cheerfulness, that for her sake the employment is delightful."

"Warm summer sun,
Shine kindly here.
Warm southern wind,
Blow softly here.
Green sod above,
Lie light, lie light.
Good night, dear heart.
Good night, good night."

Hon. Seth Sprague

Born July 4, 1760 — Died July 8, 1847

Married March, 1779

Deborah Sampson

Born October 8, 1761 — Died November 2, 1844

15 children

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First

"It is an ancient mariner,
His heart is full of joy.
He sees a schooner cross the bar
And hollers, 'Ship Ahoy!'"

Captain Phineas Sprague

Born November 2, 1779 — Died July 17, 1853

Master Mariner and later Merchant in Boston

Married First

EUNICE FREEMAN

Born—unknown — Died July 18, 1817

No children

Married Second June 14, 1820

HANNAH BROWN

Born June 7, 1789 — Died August 11, 1821

1 child

HANNAH BROWN . . . . . born July 28, 1821

Married Third September 9, 1823

BETSEY FULLER, widow of

SILAS TOBEY, having one son,

EDWARD SILAS TOBEY

Born September 25, 1789 — Died June 17, 1879

No children

"That man that hath a tongue, I say, is no man,
If with his tongue he cannot win a woman."

HANNAH BROWN SPRAGUE

Born July 28, 1821 — Died January 4, 1898

Married April 5, 1841

EDWARD SILAS TOBEY

Born April 5, 1813 — Died March 29, 1891

Merchant in Boston and later Post-master of Boston for four years

10 children

1. ELISABETH SPRAGUE . . . . . born January 20, 1842
   Not married — Died July 11, 1911
2. CORNELIA SPRAGUE . . . . . born October 15, 1844
   Died March 14, 1848
3. ALICE SOPHIA . . . . . born May 6, 1846
4. HANNAH BROWN SPRAGUE . . . . born June 25, 1848
5. AMELIA . . . . . born April 7, 1851
   Died July 6, 1861
6. PHINEAS SPRAGUE . . . . . born December 19, 1853
7. EDWARD SILAS, Jr. . . . . born September 24, 1855
   Not married — Died July 23, 1902
8. SIDNEY BERKELEY . . . . . born November 1, 1858
9. ARTHUR WADDINGTON . . . born September 12, 1861
   Not married — Died December 16, 1898
10. MIRIAM AMELIA . . . . . born July 23, 1863
    Not married — Died

Address, 19 University Road, Brookline, Mass.

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First—1st—3d

ALICE SOPHIA TOBEY

Born May 6, 1846 — Died March 1, 1908

Married December 14, 1865

GEORGE W. WARE, Jr.

Born October 3, 1837 — Died February 12, 1890

1 child

ALICE MILDRED . . . . . born September 12, 1866
Died February 21, 1867

First—1st—4th

HANNAH BROWN SPRAGUE TOBEY

Born June 25, 1848 — Died

Married December 31, 1871

GEORGE HAY STUART, Jr.

Born February 11, 1849 — Died

3 children

1. GEORGE HAY, 3d . . . . . born October 12, 1872
   Bachelor
2. EDWARD TOBEY . . . . . born October 19, 1876
3. ELISABETH SPRAGUE . . . . . born August 19, 1878
   Not married

Address, Philadelphia, Pa.

4th—2d

EDWARD TOBEY STUART

Born October 19, 1876 Died

Married April 2, 1908

MARY RIDGELEY

Born December 19, 1878 Died

1 child

EDWARD TOBEY, Jr. . . . . born December 27, 1908

Address, Saint Davids, Pa.

First—1st—6th

PHINEAS SPRAGUE TOBEY

Born December 19, 1853 Died April 17, 1886

Married September 21, 1876

ANNE BAYLEY

Born November 15, 1853 Died February 16, 1886

3 children

1. REGINALD SPRAGUE . . . . . born June 28, 1877
2. LESLIE . . . . . born July 26, 1879
3. ELLIOTT LESTER . . . . . born November 1, 1880

GIVE YOUR BEST

"There are loyal hearts, there are spirits brave,
There are souls that are pure and true!
Then give to the world the best that you have,
And the best will come back to you.

Have faith, and hearts all around will show
Their faith in your work and deed;
Give love, and their love to you will o'erflow,
As a strength in your utmost need.

For life's a mirror of king and slave,
'Tis just what you are and do;
Then give to the world the best that you have,
And the best will come back to you."

M. J. B.

6th—1st

REGINALD SPRAGUE TOBEY

Born June 28, 1877 Died

Married April 19, 1896

NATHALIE ALEXANDER

Born November 19, 1875 Died

1 child

EDWARD SPRAGUE, Jr. . . . . born August 1, 1897

Address, New Rochelle, N.Y.

6th—2d

LESLIE TOBEY

Born July 26, 1879 Died

Married April 28, 1906

EDWARD SAWYER

Born July 21, 1874 Died

No children

Address, Stamford, Conn.

6th—3d

ELLIOTT LESTER TOBEY

Born November 1, 1880 Died

Married October 14, 1907

GEORGIE ELIZABETH CHERRINGTON

Born April 25, 1881 Died

No children

Address, 6 Lindal Avenue, North Weymouth, Mass.

First—1st—8th

SIDNEY BERKELEY TOBEY

Born November 1, 1858 Died April 30, 1907

Married November 3, 1879

MENERVA BUCKLIN KELLY

Born June 23, 1858 Died

1 child

BERKELEY GREENE . . . . . born January 10, 1881

8th—1st

BERKELEY GREENE TOBEY

Born January 10, 1881 Died

Married September 23, 1905

LAURA PYNE CLARK

Born April 23, 1882 Died

1 child

JUDITH GREENE . . . . . born April 1, 1907

Address, The Boy Scouts of America, 200 Fifth Avenue, New York

"In men whom men condemn as ill
I find so much of goodness still!
In men whom men pronounce divine
I find so much of sin and blot
I hesitate to draw the line
Between the two, where God has not."

"A loyal, just, and upright gentleman.
He was a gentleman on whom I built
An absolute trust."

"Be just and fear not."

William Sprague

Born December 28, 1780 — Died October 17, 1840

Was Merchant in Boston

Married First April, 1806

PATIENCE ROGERS

Born 1785 — Died November 18, 1833

11 children

1. NATHANIEL . . . . . born December, 1806
   Died January, 1807
2. SUSAN ROGERS . . . . . born July 19, 1808
3. CHARITY . . . . . born May 7, 1810
4. ALMIRA LITTLE . . . . . born March 20, 1812
5. WILLIAM, JR. . . . . born March 12, 1814
6. HARRIET BROWN . . . . . born March 25, 1816
7. SETH . . . . . born February 6, 1818
   Died February 2, 1819
8. ELIZA BROWN . . . . . born December 6, 1819
9. SETH . . . . . born December 6, 1821
   Died at sea 1843
10. JULIA AUGUSTA . . . . . born September 1, 1826
    Died August 30, 1855
11. FRANCIS . . . . . born July 4, 1831

Married Second Widow

PRECILLA BARKER PIERCE

No children

Second—2d

SUSAN ROGERS SPRAGUE

Born July 19, 1808 — Died May 21, 1891

Married June 20, 1831

CHARLES COPELAND

Born September 1, 1806 — Died March 9, 1853

4 children

1. EMILY . . . . . born May, 1832
2. CHARLES . . . . . born November, 1834
   Died August 18, 1836
3. CHARLES FREDERICK . . . . . born July 3, 1835
4. SUSAN SPRAGUE . . . . . born June 30, 1837

2d—1st

EMILY COPELAND

Born May, 1832 — Died

Married 1857

GEORGE OTIS SHATTUCK

Born 1829 — Died 1898

1 child

SUSAN . . . . . born 1860

Address, Ponkapoag, Mass.

2d—1st—1st

SUSAN SHATTUCK

Born 1860 — Died

Married 1882

ARTHUR TRACY CABOT, M.D.

Born 1852 — Died 1912

No children

Address, Ponkapoag, Mass.

Second—2d—3d

CHARLES FREDERICK COPELAND

Born July 3, 1835 Died

Married September 21, 1859

SOPHIA ELLEN WALKER

Born January 15, 1839 Died

3 children

1. EMILY . . . . . born May 29, 1861
Died May 31, 1861
2. CHARLES . . . . . born March 30, 1867
3. MILDRED . . . . . born September 27, 1876
Died August 12, 1877

Address, 1021 Park Place, Wilmington, Del.

3d—2d

CHARLES COPELAND

Born March 30, 1867 Died

Married February 16, 1904

LOUISA D'ANDELOT DU PONT

Born January 25, 1868 Died

1 child

LAMMOT DU PONT . . . . . born May 19, 1905

Address, du Pont Building, Wilmington, Del.

2d—4th

SUSAN SPRAGUE COPELAND

Born June 20, 1837 Died

Married June, 1859

WALTER SCOTT TRIBOU

Born 1830 Died 1884

1 child

BLANCHE . . . . . born May 26, 1861

She married October, 1888

SAMUEL W. LIPPINCOTT

She died April 29, 1889

Address, Rome, Italy

'Love is merely a madness, and, I tell you, deserves as well a dark house and a whip as madmen do."

"Life's but a walking shadow, a poor player
That struts and frets his hour upon the stage,
And then is heard no more."

"Why should this day be one of joy to me?
Why should kind words and gifts be mine to have?
Life came unsought by me; its mystery
Grows apace, and, from cradle to the grave,
I must unlearn what self would teach. To feel,
To know, to see, to live, to simply be,
To sit with folded hands, to wound, not heal,
To meet the daily cross with apathy,
Are these the highest ends that I can find?
Owe I not more to her who gave me birth
Than to the world, or self, or all mankind?
I'll try to make a heaven on this earth,
And to this end my soul shall rise and say,
'This shall be called not mine—but "Mother's Day."'"

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Second—3d

CHARITY SPRAGUE

Born May 7, 1810 — Died April 8, 1884

Married August 27, 1830

Hon. JAMES MADISON GOODING

Born March 4, 1809 — Died September 9, 1897

Clock-maker and Jeweler in Bristol, R.I.

7 children

1. ALMIRA SPRAGUE . . . . . born June 21, 1831
   Died October 10, 1831
2. WILLIAM SPRAGUE . . . . . born in Bristol, R.I.
   Died in Bristol, R.I.
3. JANE SPRAGUE . . . . . born January 16, 1834
4. ALFRED WINSOR . . . . . born April 1, 1836
5. WILLIAM JAMES . . . . . born July 24, 1842
6. JULIA AUGUSTA . . . . . born June 10, 1846
7. JOSIAH FRANCIS . . . . . born October 11, 1849

THE RHODORA

BY RALPH WALDO EMERSON

On being asked "Whence is the flower?"

"In May, when sea winds pierced our solitudes,
I found the fresh Rhodora in the woods,
Spreading its leafless blooms in a damp nook,
To please the desert and the sluggish brook.
The purple petals, fallen in the pool,
Made the black water with their beauty gay;
Here might the redbird come his plumes to cool
And court the flower that cheapens his array.
Rhodora! if the sages ask thee why
This charm is wasted on the earth and sky,
Tell them, dear, that if eyes were made for seeing,
Then Beauty is its own excuse for being:
Why thou wert there, O rival of the rose!
I never thought to ask, I never knew:
But, in my simple ignorance, suppose
The selfsame Power that brought me there brought you."

3d—3d

JANE SPRAGUE GOODING

Born January 16, 1834 Died

Married June 19, 1855

LEMUEL AUGUSTUS BISHOP

Born May 29, 1829 Died November 24, 1892

9 children

1. JULIA SPRAGUE . . . . . born October 3, 1856
   Not married
2. ARTHUR STANLEY . . . . . born April 27, 1858
3. MARY GOODING . . . . . born May 23, 1859
   Died September 13, 1859
4. JENNIE WINSOR . . . . . born September 1, 1860
   Died October 19, 1860
5. FREDERICK RICE . . . . . born March 17, 1863
6. GRACE HULFORD } . . . . . born February 28, 1866
7. MABEL GOODING }
   Twins, not married
8. CHARITY SPRAGUE . . . . . born February 13, 1874
9. HAROLD AUGUSTUS . . . . . born July 12, 1876
   Died May 19, 1895

Address, 18 Lowell Street, Worcester, Mass.

3d—2d

ARTHUR STANLEY BISHOP

Born April 27, 1858 Died

Jeweler, North Attleboro, Mass.

Married September 25, 1883

HATTIE GOODWIN

Born May 30, 1858 Died

3 children

1. JANE ADELAIDE . . . . . born July 14, 1884
2. MARJORIE GOODWIN . . . . . born September 9, 1888
3. DONALD STANLEY . . . . . born March 4, 1900

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2d—2d

MARJORIE GOODWIN BISHOP

Born September 9, 1888 Died

Married January 25, 1911

HOWARD ALBERT GARDNER

1 child

JANE ELISABETH . . . . . born April 4, 1912

3d—5th

FREDERICK RICE BISHOP

Born March 17, 1863 Died

Jeweler, North Attleboro, Mass.

Married January 7, 1886

EMELIA LONG

Born January 17, 1862 Died

3 children

1. MILDRED CATHERINE . . . . . born October 22, 1886
2. HAROLD WILLIAM . . . . . born October 26, 1895
3. KENNETH LONG . . . . . born June 17, 1900

3d—8th

CHARITY SPRAGUE BISHOP

Born February 13, 1874 Died

Married June 5, 1895

FREDERICK MORGAN COWLES

Born December 29, 1873 Died

2 children

1. PHILIP BISHOP . . . . . born May 26, 1899
2. FREDERICK MORGAN, JR. . . . . born August 19, 1903

Address, 201 Christian Street, Wallingford, Conn.

3d—4th

ALFRED WINSOR GOODING

Born April 1, 1836 Died

Farmer

Married December 5, 1854

MARY ABBY BRADFORD

Born July 7, 1835 Died March 13, 1891

School-teacher

1 child

JAMES MADISON, 2D . . . . . born March 27, 1857

Address, Gooding Avenue, Bristol, R.I.

4th—1st

HON. JAMES MADISON GOODING, 2D

Born March 27, 1857 Died May 11, 1908

Breeder of and Dealer in Horses and Cattle, also Expert Agriculturist

Married October 18, 1885

LILLIE MAY WALL

Born March 10, 1868 Died

Authoress and Poetess

A direct descendant of Lord Saunders of England and the old Wall Family of New York for whom Wall Street was named

2 children

1. WILLIAM BRADFORD . . . . . born August 9, 1886
2. MARGUERITE SPRAGUE . . . . . born July 6, 1889

Authoress and Playwright

Address, Gooding Avenue, Bristol, R.I.

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WILLIAM JAMES GOODING

Born July 24, 1842 Died

Married

ABBY TAYLOR DEARTH

Born January 26, 1850 Died

1 child

ELIZABETH MARSHALL . . . . . born September 17, 1871

Address, Wallingford, Conn.

5th—1st

ELIZABETH MARSHALL GOODING

Born September 17, 1871 Died

Married February 24, 1892

CHARLES FENN WOODING

Born November 21, 1869 Died

3 children

1. HERBERT MARSHALL . . . . . born February 5, 1893
2. RAYMOND FENN . . . . . born April 22, 1895
3. NEWTON WILLIAM . . . . . born August 14, 1900

Address, Wallingford, Conn.

Second—3d—6th

JULIA AUGUSTA GOODING

Born June 10, 1846 Died

Married June 19, 1866

JAMES MAXWELL WHEATON

Born March 10, 1842 Died

2 children

1. EDITH . . . . . born July 23, 1869
2. ALICE . . . . . born November 15, 1871

Address, Hotel Princeton, 1277 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, Mass.

6th—1st

EDITH WHEATON

Born July 23, 1869 Died

Married October 4, 1893

DR. NELSON READ HALL

Born March 31, 1868 Died

2 children

1. JOHN ROBERT WHEATON . . . born December 20, 1894
2. ALICE WHEATON . . . . . born February 9, 1897

Address, Warren, R.I.

6th—2d

ALICE WHEATON

Born November 15, 1871 Died

Married April 7, 1896

WILLIAM PARKER SARGENT

Born December 4, 1868 Died

3 children

1. EARLE WHEATON . . . . . born October 22, 1898
2. WILLIAM PARKER, Jr. . . . . born September 8, 1904
3. RICHARD MAXWELL . . . . . born July 11, 1908

Address, 189 Bowen Street, Providence, R.I.

Second—3d—7th

JOSIAH FRANCIS GOODING

Born October 11, 1849 Died

Married First November 27, 1873

MARY FRANCES ABBOTT

Born July 15, 1854 Died November 5, 1878

No children

Married Second October 28, 1885

LAURA MAY YEATON

Born May 16, 1858 Died

2 children

1. HAROLD STEVENS . . . . . born July 30, 1886
2. FRANCIS EARLE . . . . . born January 8, 1897

Address, Lawrence, Mass.

7th—1st

HAROLD STEVENS GOODING

Born July 30, 1886 Died

Married April 12, 1909

MILDRED VIOLA WILKINSON

Born December 22, 1888 Died

1 child

HAROLD STEVENS, Jr. . . . . born May 23, 1910

Address, Lawrence, Mass.

Remarkable Case of Descent

The most remarkable case of discovery along these lines has been in the descent of Miss Mary W. Gooding, clerk in the registry of probate at Plymouth. In her blood there run 35 lines of relationship with Mayflower passengers. Her record is:—

Miss Mary W. Gooding, ninth from John Alden (in six lines); tenth from John Alden; tenth from Isaac Allerton; ninth from Mary Allerton; ninth from William Bradford (in two lines); tenth from William Bradford; tenth from William Brewster; ninth from Love Brewster (in three lines); eleventh from William Brewster; tenth from Love Brewster; tenth from James Chilton; ninth from Mary Chilton; ninth from Thomas Rogers (in two lines); tenth from Thomas Rogers; eighth from Henry Samson (in two lines); eighth from George Soule; ninth from Myles Standish (in four lines); tenth from Richard Warren (in six lines); eleventh from Richard Warren (in three lines).

Second—4th

ALMIRA LITTLE SPRAGUE

Born March 20, 1812 — Died 1891

Married October, 1832

SAMUEL GILBERT

Born 1801 — Died 1897

5 children

1. SAMUEL SPRAGUE . . . . . born 1833
   Died 1854
2. MARTHA . . . . . born November 18, 1834
3. ALMIRA ROGERS . . . . . born 1837
   Not married
4. LUCRETIA . . . . . born September 27, 1848
5. EDWARD WINSOR . . . . . born 1851
   Not married — Died

4th—2d

MARTHA GILBERT

Born November 18, 1834 — Died November 16, 1898

Married October 22, 1857

EUGENE HENRY SAMPSON

Born December 19, 1832 — Died August 19, 1901

(See SARAH SPRAGUE—Fifteenth–2d)

4th—4th

LUCRETIA GILBERT

Born September 27, 1848 Died

Married June 4, 1874

JOHN HENRY BROOKS

Born June 20, 1848 Died July 21, 1913

5 children

1. HENRY GILBERT . . . . . born January 16, 1875
2. JOHN EDWARD . . . . . born September 14, 1877
3. LAWRENCE . . . . . born August 4, 1880
4. CHARLOTTE LOUISE . . . . . born May 2, 1883
5. WINTHROP SPRAGUE . . . . . born August 6, 1886

Address, Adams Street, Milton, Mass.

4th—1st

HENRY GILBERT BROOKS

Born January 16, 1875 Died

Married September 28, 1905

RACHEL WORTHINGTON ROBERTS

Born December 1, 1878 Died

Address, Adams Street, Milton, Mass.

4th—2d

JOHN EDWARD BROOKS

Born September 14, 1877 Died

Married April, 1907

HELEN FRENCH

Born January 31, 1880 Died

2 children

1. JOHN EDWARD, Jr. . . . . born May 30, 1910
2. CHARLES STRATTON . . . . . born May 12, 1912

Address, Adams Street, Milton, Mass.

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4th—3d

LAWRENCE BROOKS

Born August 4, 1880 Died

Married June 11, 1913

ELIZABETH TOOKE

Born April 20, 1885 Died

Address, New Bedford, Mass.

4th—4th

CHARLOTTE LOUISE BROOKS

Born May 2, 1883 Died

Married December 21, 1912

JOHN ALDEN LEE

Born June, 1875 Died

1 child

GILBERT BROOKS . . . . . born September 10, 1913

TO MY MOTHER

"A mother heard our infant cries,
And folded us with fond embrace,
And when we woke, our infant eyes
Were opened on a mother's face.

Our wishes she did make her own,
Her bosom fed and pillowed too,
Answering each start or fitful moan
With trembling pulses fond and true.

Then knowledge was a thing untaught:
Heaven's charity, a daily dole,
Stole in inaudibly, and wrought
Its gentle bonds about the soul."

"Hers was sweetest of sweet faces,
Hers the tenderest eyes of all;
In her hair she had the traces
Of a heavenly coronal,
Bringing sunshine to sad places
Where the sunlight could not fall."

"Rest, my baby, rest
In thy downy nest."

Second—5th

WILLIAM SPRAGUE, Jr.

Born March 12, 1814 Died July 21, 1892

He was of the firm of Sprague, Soule & Co., Commission Merchants of Boston

Married June 4, 1850

ANN ISABELLA SPRAGUE

Born October 7, 1829 Died July 19, 1902

3 children

1. JULIA ARDELL . . . . . born October 3, 1851
   Not married
   Address, Hotel Westminster, Boston, Mass.
2. PHINEAS . . . . . born October 14, 1854
3. JEANNIE COOLIDGE . . . . . born February 28, 1858
   Not married

5th—2d

PHINEAS SPRAGUE

Born October 14, 1854 Died

Publisher—Novelty Advertising, San Francisco, Cal.

Married April 17, 1885

MARY McCARTHY FLOOD

Born 1855 Died 1891

1 child

WILLIAM SPRAGUE . . . . . born May 28, 1889

Address, San Francisco, Cal.

HARRIET BROWN SPRAGUE

Born March 25, 1816 Died March 15, 1900

Married September 7, 1835

EDWARD WINSOR

Born April 28, 1813 Died February 13, 1860

4 children

1. PARKER . . . . . born August 16, 1836
2. GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS . . . . . born January 15, 1838
   Died January 24, 1865
3. GEORGIANA LLOYD . . . . . born May 14, 1842
4. EDWARD SPRAGUE . . . . . born June 22, 1846

6th—1st

PARKER WINSOR

Born August 16, 1836 Died April 16, 1880

Married First June 24, 1862

FANNIE EUGENIA STOWELL

Born June, 1843 Died February 9, 1864

No children

Married Second April 20, 1868

ANAURELLA UMBROZINE DU CASSE

Born April 20, 1848 Died

2 children

1. WILLIAM CARPENTER . . . . . born March 29, 1869
   Not married
2. ESTELLE LLOYD . . . . . born May 15, 1872
   Not married

Address, 26 Francis Street, Brookline, Mass.

6th—3d

GEORGIANA LLOYD WINSOR

Born May 14, 1842 Died

Married June 25, 1872

CHARLES FREDERICK BRADFORD THOMAS

Born May 4, 1835 Died December 5, 1910

No children

Address, Aberdeen, Brookline, Mass.

6th—4th

EDWARD SPRAGUE WINSOR

Born June 22, 1846 Died

Civil Engineer and Surveyor

Went to Refugio, Texas, in 1867, where he became a very prominent and public-spirited citizen, filling many public and responsible offices

Married June 22, 1869

ANNIE REBECCA UPTON

Born November 7, 1850 Died

4 children

1. HARRIET ELIZABETH . . . . . born July 3, 1870
2. HELEN AUGUSTA . . . . . born July 28, 1871
3. EDWARD UPTON . . . . . born January 2, 1874
4. RUFUS HORACE . . . . . born September 2, 1876

Address, Refugio, Tex.

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6th—4th—1st

HARRIET ELIZABETH WINSOR

Born July 3, 1870 Died

Married First December 26, 1893

AMELE ANDREW STRAUCH

Born June 11, 1863 Died November 15, 1894

1 child

AMELIA GEORGANNA . . . . . born December 4, 1894

Married Second July 12, 1905

JOHN LEDGER EMPSON

Born March 25, 1852 Died

No children

6th—4th—2d

HELEN AUGUSTA WINSOR

Born July 28, 1871 Died

Married July 25, 1898

LOUIS HENRY JOHNSON

Born March 29, 1868 Died

2 children

1. SARAH LAURA . . . . . born September 19, 1899
2. EDWARD WINSOR . . . . . born November 19, 1901

6th—4th—3d

EDWARD UPTON WINSOR

Born January 2, 1874 Died

Married June 8, 1904

MARY ALICE O'DONNELL

Born December 8, 1880 Died

No children

6th—4th—4th

RUFUS HORACE WINSOR

Born September 2, 1876 Died

Married April 13, 1904

HARRIET ELIZABETH KELLEY

Born September 6, 1886 Died

2 children

1. MERLE HORACE . . . . . born August 13, 1905
2. WINNIE MAY . . . . . born November 24, 1908

"Sweet is the memory of distant friends.
Like the mellow rays of the departing sun,
It falls tenderly yet sadly on the heart."

LOVE

"Love is a dream that knows no waking,
Love is a bond that knows no breaking;
Memories pass in a mist of tears,
Love grows stronger through the years.

Life is a rugged pathway lifting,
Life is an isle that is ever drifting;
Visions call, and we vainly follow,
Love is the goal over hill and hollow.

Death is a dream that knows no waking,
Death is a bond that knows no breaking;
Headlines rise from the fading foam,
Love is the light that leads us home."

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Second—8th

ELIZA BROWN SPRAGUE

Born December 6, 1819 Died December 23, 1900

Married October 7, 1845

HENRY TOLMAN

Born January 15, 1821 Died November 20, 1888

Music Publisher, with store on Washington Street, Boston, Mass.

5 children

1. HELEN AMELIA . . . . . born June 30, 1847
   Died October 22, 1848
2. HENRIETTA SPRAGUE . . . . . born December 9, 1849
3. HENRY, JR. . . . . born May 5, 1852
4. LYDIA HATHAWAY . . . . . born August 16, 1854
   Not married
5. GEORGE SPRAGUE . . . . . born September 1, 1858

8th—2d

HENRIETTA SPRAGUE TOLMAN

Born December 9, 1849 Died

Married October 21, 1869

LOUIS PHILIPPE SHULER SHUTZ

Born in Prussia, January 21, 1845 Died

No children

8th—3d

HENRY TOLMAN, Jr.

Born May 5, 1852 Died

Married December 6, 1877

FLORENCE SEARS

Born December 20, 1856 Died

2 children

1. HENRY, 3d . . . . . born October 15, 1879
2. RICHARD SEARS . . . . . born September 30, 1881

Address, Newton, Mass.

3d—1st

Dr. HENRY TOLMAN, 3d

Born October 5, 1879 Died

Married November 2, 1902

JESSIE STUART CARTER

Born May 10, 1880 Died

2 children

1. LESLIE SEARS . . . . . born August 27, 1903
2. JESSIE CARTER . . . . . born March 8, 1913

Address, 74 Linden Street, Allston, Mass.

3d—2d

RICHARD SEARS TOLMAN

Born September 30, 1881 Died

Married October 16, 1907

MARY ALMA COE

Born December 24, 1884 Died July 13, 1912

1 child

HENRY, 4th . . . . . born July 10, 1912

Address, Cliff Street, Ansonia, Conn.

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8th—5th

GEORGE SPRAGUE TOLMAN

Born September 1, 1858 Died

Married October 20, 1885

ALICE MAY KEEGAN

Born October 10, 1866 Died

2 children

1. GEORGE SPRAGUE, Jr. . . . . born July 28, 1886
2. ALICE MAY . . . . . born December 28, 1887

Address, Winthrop, Mass.

5th—1st

GEORGE SPRAGUE TOLMAN, Jr.

Born July 28, 1886 Died

Married March 25, 1914

EDITH HELENA FERGUSON

Born April 12, 1886 Died

No children

Address, Winthrop, Mass.

Second—11th

FRANCIS SPRAGUE

Born July 4, 1831 Died May 10, 1897

Married October 12, 1854

ELIZABETH GUNNISON BARTLETT

Born December 21, 1830 Died October 13, 1897

3 children

1. LIZZIE AUGUSTA . . . . . born August 3, 1856
   Not married
2. ANNIE ISABELLA . . . . . born July 30, 1858
3. FANNIE EUGENIA . . . . . born December 11, 1863

11th—2d

ANNIE ISABELLA SPRAGUE

Born July 30, 1858 Died

Married March 19, 1903

WILLIAM HORACE BURR

Born November 15, 1858 Died January 9, 1908

No children

11th—3d

FANNIE EUGENIA SPRAGUE

Born December 11, 1863 Died

Married April 15, 1885

ZADOC LORING

Born November 6, 1859 Died July 31, 1896

No children

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32 Third

"Oh, sail we to the south or north,
Oh, sail we to the east or west,
The port from which we first put forth
Is our heart's home, is our life's best."

Deborah Sprague

Born August 19, 1782 — Died October 28, 1813

Married August 20, 1800

Capt. AHIRA WADSWORTH

Born April 4, 1777 — Died 1869

He was a noted shipmaster, sailing the seven seas, and retired in 1807 and engaged in shipping and fishing business in Duxbury

5 children

1. SELINA . . . . . born May 25, 1801
2. CATHARINE . . . . . born September 22, 1802
3. MARINDA . . . . . born January 20, 1806
4. ALEXANDER . . . . . born August 22, 1808
5. DEBORAH . . . . . born September 22, 1813
   Not married — Died January 4, 1908

"We will not from the helm to sit and weep,
But keep our course, though the rough wind say no,
From shelves and rocks that threaten us with wreck."

"Oh! tell me not the woods are fair,
Now Spring is on her way;
Well, well I know how brightly there
In joy the young leaves play;
How sweet on winds of morn or eve,
The violet's breath may be;
Yet ask me, woo me not to leave
My lone rock by the sea.

The wild waves' thunder on the shore,
The curlew's restless cries,
Unto my watching heart are more
Than all earth's melodies.
Come back! my ocean rover, come!
There's but one place for me,
Till I can greet thy swift sail home,
My lone rock by the sea."

Third—1st

SELINA WADSWORTH

Born May 25, 1801 — Died July 25, 1860

Married October 8, 1820

EZRA WESTON SAMPSON

Born December 1, 1797 — Died January 15, 1867

10 children

1. AUGUSTUS WADSWORTH . . . . . born August 5, 1821
   Not married — Died April 22, 1904
2. FREDERICK ALEXANDER . . . . born March 22, 1823
3. CHARLES EDWARD . . . . . born February 14, 1825
   Died January 1, 1845
4. ELIZABETH CHURCH . . . . . born February 1, 1827
5. ELLEN CONSTANCE . . . . . born July 4, 1829
6. ALBERT DE WIGHT . . . . . born August 28, 1831
7. MARY OTIS . . . . . born January 18, 1834
8. SYLVANUS . . . . . born July 13, 1837
9. EMILY FRANCES . . . . . born September 12, 1840
10. SELINA WADSWORTH . . . . . born June 9, 1842

1st—2d

FREDERICK ALEXANDER SAMPSON

Born March 22, 1823 — Died June 5, 1894

Married April 7, 1869

ANNIE TURNER

Born March 16, 1834 — Died April 25, 1909

No children

34 1st—4th

ELIZABETH CHURCH SAMPSON

Born February 1, 1827 Died January 28, 1909

Married August 5, 1861

WALTER COBURN

Born November 14, 1824 Died September 26, 1885

1 child

WALDO CLEAVELAND . . . . . born February 4, 1871
Died September 9, 1872

1st—5th

ELLEN CONSTANCE SAMPSON

Born July 4, 1829 Died

Married September 4, 1851

OSCAR HALLETT SAMPSON

(See SARAH SPRAGUE—Fifteenth–1st)

Address, 193 Marlboro Street, Boston, Mass.

1st—6th

ALBERT DE WIGHT SAMPSON

Born August 28, 1831 Died

Married October 28, 1860

FLORA EVELYN DREW

Born January 13, 1840 Died

3 children

1. SELINA WADSWORTH . . . . . born July 20, 1862
Died March 20, 1864
2. ELLEN LEONICE . . . . . born May 20, 1865
3. FLORENCE WADSWORTH . . . . . born May 12, 1867
Not married
Address, 13 Siant Street, Newton, Mass.

6th—2d

ELLEN LEONICE SAMPSON

Born May 20, 1865 Died

Married October 15, 1895

PARKER BARNES FIELD

Born February 16, 1863 Died

2 children

1. PARKER BARNES, Jr. . . . . born December 13, 1896
2. BRADFORD SAMPSON . . . . . born March 24, 1898

Address, Milton, Mass.

1st—7th

MARY OTIS SAMPSON

Born January 18, 1834 Died

Married May 12, 1857

HENRY CORMERAIS

Born April 25, 1820 Died September 3, 1876

4 children

1. HENRY PERCY . . . . . born April 18, 1859
2. FREDERIC AUGUSTUS . . . . . born April 26, 1862
   Died April 8, 1889
3. MARY ELIZABETH . . . . . born December 6, 1864
   Not married
4. EDWARD VERNON . . . . . born September 20, 1868
   Not married

Address, Linden Place, Dedham, Mass.

7th—1st

HENRY PERCY CORMERAIS

Born April 18, 1859 Died

Married June 11, 1890

MARY FRANCES SOUTHGATE

Born August 22, 1864 Died

No children

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1st—8th

SYLVANUS SAMPSON

Born July 13, 1837 Died January 6, 1901

Married September 2, 1862

MARY HARVEY

Born September 13, 1834 Died May 19, 1898

2 children

1. EDWARD HARVEY . . . . . born July 1, 1863
2. CLARA HALE . . . . . born April 28, 1870

Not married

Address, 8 Newbury Street, Boston, Mass.

8th—1st

EDWARD HARVEY SAMPSON

Born July 1, 1863 Died

Married February 18, 1892

EMMA LOUISE WEIN

Born November 26, 1866 Died

No children

Address, 4 Harrison Hall, Trinity Court, Boston, Mass.

1st—9th

EMILY FRANCES SAMPSON

Born September 12, 1840 Died

Married June 1, 1864

Rev. BENJAMIN HOLLOWAY BAILEY

Born July 5, 1829 Died

5 children

1. SELINA WADSWORTH . . . . . born November 24, 1865
2. HENRY HOLLOWAY . . . . . born October 2, 1867
3. AUGUSTUS ALLEN . . . . . born December 3, 1869
   Died December 2, 1875
4. BENJAMIN PERCIVAL . . . . . born December 25, 1874
   Died May 22, 1902
5. LUCY SAWYER . . . . . born May 1, 1878
   Died May 31, 1880

Address, 28 Eliot Street, Jamaica Plain, Mass.

9th—1st

SELINA WADSWORTH BAILEY

Born November 24, 1865 Died

Married May 15, 1890

A. JARRATT LEWIS

Born January 7, 1861 Died

1 child

MALCOLM . . . . . born March 24, 1891

Address, 2 Greenough Place, Jamaica Plain, Mass.

9th—2d

HENRY HOLLOWAY BAILEY

Born October 2, 1867 Died

Married April 15, 1896

FRANCES HARLOW WADSWORTH

Born February 14, 1869 Died

1 child

HENRY FRANCIS . . . . . born November 5, 1896
Died December 3, 1896

Address, 829 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass.

1st—10th

SELINA WADSWORTH SAMPSON

Born June 9, 1842 Died

Married October 14, 1863

CHARLES CARROLL LORING

Born January 2, 1840 Died

(See NANCY SPRAGUE—Thirteenth–9th)

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Third—2d

CATHARINE WADSWORTH

Born September 22, 1802 — Died June 4, 1900

Married First 1819

CLARK DREW

Who died at sea on passage from Malaga to Boston in 1820

Married Second September 5, 1838

FRANCIS GRAY FORD

Born 1800 — Died 1842

1 child

SIDNEY GRAY . . . . . born June 14, 1839
Died September 15, 1842

Third—3d

MARINDA WADSWORTH

Born January 20, 1806 — Died May 13, 1894

She was named Marinda after the last ship that her father commanded, which was new when she was born

Married January 27, 1828

Capt. JOSHUA DREW

Born September 16, 1798 — Died January 25, 1863

3 children

1. EMMA MARINDA . . . . . born October 31, 1835
2. FLORA EVELYN . . . . . born January 3, 1840
3. JOSHUA EVERETT . . . . . born June 7, 1844

3d—1st

EMMA MARINDA DREW

Born October 31, 1835 Died November 7, 1913

Married August 6, 1856

LYMAN DREW

Born 1826 Died October 10, 1887

1 child

MARY LYMAN . . . . . Died unknown

3d—2d

FLORA EVELYN DREW

Born January 3, 1840 Died

Married October 28, 1860

ALBERT DE WIGHT SAMPSON

Born August 28, 1831 Died

(For children, see DEBORAH SPRAGUE—Third–1st–6th)

3d—3d

JOSHUA EVERETT DREW

Born June 7, 1844 Died January 6, 1913

Married 1870

RUTH AMELIA BULLARD

Born January 20, 1846 Died October 16, 1898

7 children

1. MARIA EMMA, M.D. . . . . born December 25, 1870
   Address, 39 Newbury Avenue, Atlantic, Mass.
2. ELEAZER FRANCIS . . . . . born June 25, 1874
3. MARTIN EVERETT . . . . . born December 4, 1875
   Died February 19, 1882
4. ARTHUR EARL . . . . . born March 25, 1879
5. FLORA EVERETT . . . . . born February 9, 1883
6. JOSHUA EDWIN . . . . . born December 16, 1885
   Died February 8, 1888
7. WADSWORTH EDWIN . . . . . born April 5, 1889
   Died August 4, 1890

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3d—3d—2d

ELEAZER FRANCIS DREW

Born June 25, 1874 Died

Married December 16, 1896

IDA MAUDE FOWLER

Born May 3, 1876 Died

6 children

1. LESTER BULLARD . . . . . born August 5, 1898
2. RALPH IRVIN . . . . . born September 28, 1900
3. RUTH MARGARET . . . . . born July 21, 1902
4. HAROLD CRAWFORD . . . . . born November 11, 1904
5. IDA BERTRIC . . . . . born August 26, 1908
6. DOROTHY . . . . . born July 30, 1913

Address, 40 Davis Street, Wollaston, Mass.

3d—3d—4th

ARTHUR EARL DREW

Born March 25, 1879 Died

Married June 5, 1909

DEBORAH LILLIAN MACKINZIE

Born March 22, 1885 Died

3 children

1. CLARA PEARL . . . . . born March 29, 1910
2. HUMBERT EARL . . . . . born March 13, 1912
3. EDNA IRENE . . . . . born October 5, 1914

Address, Hammond Circle, Wollaston, Mass.

3d—3d—5th

FLORA EVERETT DREW

Born February 9, 1883 Died

Married June 27, 1906

FRED IRVING RAYNER

Born January 9, 1883 Died

1 child

RUSSELL IRVING . . . . . born March 9, 1909

Address, Wellesley Hills, Mass.

Capt. ALEXANDER WADSWORTH

Born August 22, 1808 — Died December 3, 1900

Married First February 25, 1835

BEULAH HOLMES

Born 1814 — Died 1853

5 children

1. Name unknown . . . . . born 1837
   Died 1837
2. ALEXANDER } Twins . . . . . born 1841
3. BEULAH } Both died 1841
4. FRANK GRAY FORD . . . . . born December 30, 1844
5. ALEXANDER SEABORN . . . . . born February 21, 1853

Married Second December 4, 1858

SELINA MARIA HILTON

Born March 31, 1827 — Died October 1, 1904

No children

THE SEA'S SPELL

"Beneath thy spell, O radiant summer sea—
Lulled by thy voice, rocked on thy shining breast,
Fanned by thy soft breath, by thy touch caressed—
Let all thy treacheries forgotten be.
Let me still dream the ships I gave to thee
All golden-freighted in fair harbors rest;
Let me believe each sparkling wave's white crest
Bears from thy depths my loved and lost to me.
Let me not heed thy wrecks, nor count thy slain.
As o'er-fond lovers for love's sake forget
Their dearest wrongs so I, with eyes still wet
With thy salt tears, with heart still wrung with pain,
Back to thy fierce, sweet beauty turn again.
And, though thou wreck me, will I love thee yet."

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4th—4th

CAPT. FRANK GRAY FORD WADSWORTH

Born December 30, 1844 Died

Married December 30, 1863

LYDIA FRANCES HARLOW

Born July 10, 1844 Died February 25, 1911

6 children

1. BEULAH HOLMES . . . . . born April 4, 1865
2. FRANK OSBON . . . . . born 1866
   Died 1866
3. LOUISE GRAY . . . . . born March 30, 1867
   Not married
4. Girl not named . . . . . born 1868
   Died 1868
5. FRANCES HARLOW . . . . . born February 14, 1869
6. FRANK OSBON, 2D . . . . . born 1873
   Died 1873

Address, Duxbury, Mass.

4th—1st

BEULAH HOLMES WADSWORTH

Born April 4, 1865 Died

Married December 5, 1888

HENRY T. BURRILL

Born May 14, 1860 Died

6 children

1. FRANCES KNIGHT . . . . . born October 27, 1889
   Died July 25, 1890
2. HAROLD STEVENS . . . . . born February 22, 1891
3. EUSEBRA . . . . . born February 1, 1892
4. ELIZABETH . . . . . born May 16, 1894
5. BEULAH HOLMES . . . . . born June 11, 1898
   Died November 7, 1898
6. FRANK WADSWORTH . . . . . born February 25, 1904

Address, Bridgewater, Mass.

4th—5th

FRANCES HARLOW WADSWORTH

Born February 14, 1869 Died

Married April 15, 1896

HENRY HOLLOWAY BAILEY

Born October 2, 1867 Died

1 child

(See SELINA WADSWORTH—1st–9th–2d)

4th—5th

ALEXANDER SEABORN WADSWORTH

Born February 21, 1853 Died

On board ship "Seth Sprague" in the Bay of Bengal

Married March 13, 1878

ELIZABETH FRANCES BALLARD

Born 1855 Died

6 children

1. ELIZABETH BALLARD . . . . . born December 15, 1878
2. ALEXANDER . . . . . born January 31, 1883
3. CATHERINE . . . . . born April 5, 1885
4. HELEN . . . . . born March 28, 1887
5. CHRISTOPHA . . . . . born July 21, 1891
6. LUCIA . . . . . born June 28, 1893

5th—1st

ELIZABETH BALLARD WADSWORTH

Born December 15, 1878 Died

Married September 5, 1901

JOHN FARNSWORTH LOW

Born March 8, 1862 Died

2 children

1. JOHN GARDNER . . . . . born August 3, 1902
2. RALPH WADSWORTH . . . . . born April 27, 1909

Address, 123 Park Street, Newton, Mass.

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5th—4th

HELEN WADSWORTH

Born March 28, 1887 Died

Married August 2, 1912

ARTHUR WILLIAM HARKINSON

Born September 14, 1888 Died

No children

Address, 114 Fuller Street, Dorchester, Mass.

"Oh, a life on the ocean wave,
A home on the rolling deep,
Where the scattered waters rave,
And the winds their revels keep;
Like an eagle caged, I pine
On this dull, unchanging shore:
Oh, give me the flashing brine,
The spray and the tempest's roar!

Once more on the deck I stand
Of my own swift-gliding craft:
Set sail! farewell to the land!
The gale follows fair abaft.
We shoot through the sparkling foam
Like an ocean bird set free;
Like the ocean bird, our home
We'll find far out on the sea.

The land is no longer in view,
The clouds have begun to frown;
But with a stout vessel and crew,
We'll say, Let the storm come down!
And the song of our hearts shall be,
While the wind and the waters rave,
A home on the rolling sea!
A life on the ocean wave!"

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Fourth

"I count myself in nothing else so happy,
As in a soul remembering my good friends:
And as my fortune ripens with thy love,
It shall be still thy true love's recompense."

Welthea Sprague

Born June 2, 1784 — Died May 15, 1855

Married March 22, 1802

THOMAS WINSOR

Born July 22, 1780 — Died 1832

Was of the firm of Phineas Sprague & Co., Merchants and Ship-owners of Boston, Mass.

11 children

1. HENRY . . . . . born December 31, 1803
2. JANE . . . . . born July 31, 1805
3. SETH . . . . . born September 31, 1807
4. THOMAS, Jr. . . . . born August 22, 1809
5. ALFRED . . . . . born April 9, 1811
6. EDWIN . . . . . born November 5, 1812
   Died in one year
7. HARRIET . . . . . born May 25, 1816
8. ELIZABETH HALE . . . . . born April 14, 1818
9. JUDITH SPRAGUE . . . . . born August 1, 1820
10. RUFUS . . . . . born September 27, 1822
    Died December 12, 1842
11. FREDERICK . . . . . born October 2, 1829

"Remember me when I am gone away,
Gone far away into the silent land
When you can no more hold me by the hand,
Nor I half turning go, yet turning stay.
Remember me when no more, day by day,
You tell me of your future that you planned;
Only remember me; you understand
It will be too late to counsel then or pray.
Yet if you should forget me for a while
And afterwards remember, do not grieve,
For, if darkness and corruption leave
A vestige of the thoughts that once I had,
Better by far you should forget and smile
Than that you should remember and be sad."

Fourth—1st

HENRY WINSOR

Born December 31, 1803 — Died October 28, 1889

Was a well-known Merchant of Philadelphia, Pa.

Married May 29, 1832

MARY ANN DAVIS

Born December 3, 1808 — Died September 27, 1881

4 children

1. LOUISE . . . . . born February 8, 1835
2. WILLIAM DAVIS . . . . . born May 15, 1837
3. HENRY, JR. . . . . born April 30, 1839
4. JAMES DAVIS . . . . . born May 4, 1843

1st—1st

LOUISE WINSOR

Born February 8, 1835 — Died August 31, 1892

Married November 29, 1854

FRANCIS BROOKS

Born November 14, 1824 — Died October 27, 1891

6 children

1. FANNY . . . . . born August 21, 1855
   Not married
   Address, Readville, Mass.
2. EDWARD . . . . . born October 19, 1856
3. HENRY . . . . . born October 22, 1857
4. FREDERICK . . . . . born November 20, 1858
5. ELIZABETH . . . . . born June 29, 1860
6. LOUISE WINSOR . . . . . born September 9, 1874
   Not married

1st—1st—2d

EDWARD BROOKS

Born October 19, 1856 Died December 3, 1913

Married October 21, 1887

MARY CROWNINSHIELD HAMMOND

Born October 5, 1864 Died January 1, 1904

2 children

1. EDWARD, Jr. . . . . born May 20, 1888
2. ELIZABETH HAMMOND . . . . born September 24, 1889

Address, Dedham, Mass.

2d—1st

EDWARD BROOKS, Jr.

Born May 20, 1888 Died

Married September 26, 1914

CONSTANCE CODMAN

Born Died

Address, Savannah, Ga.

1st—1st—3d

HENRY BROOKS

Born October 22, 1857 Died March 16, 1912

Married November 27, 1895

FLORENCE HOWARD

Born February 29, 1872 Died

2 children

1. THOMAS PERKINS . . . . . born November 15, 1896
2. HENRY HOWARD . . . . . born February 8, 1898

Address, Concord, Mass.

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1st—1st—4th

FREDERICK BROOKS

Born November 20, 1858 Died

Married June 3, 1890

GRACE OAKES

Born October 7, 1868 Died

2 children

1. GRACE . . . . . born May 26, 1891
2. FRANCIS . . . . . born October 15, 1892

Address, 136 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass.

1st—1st—5th

ELIZABETH BROOKS

Born June 29, 1860 Died

Married June 1, 1887

EDMUND MARCH WHEELWRIGHT

Born September 14, 1854 Died August 14, 1912

3 children

1. LOUISE . . . . . born 1889
2. EDMUND MARCH, Jr. . . . . born 1891
3. JOHN BROOKS . . . . . born 1897

Address, Dedham, Mass.

1st—2d

WILLIAM DAVIS WINSOR

Born May 15, 1837 Died

Married June 10, 1862

ELIZABETH CANAC CHAPMAN

Born April 19, 1844 Died

2 children

1. EMILY CHAPMAN . . . . . born April 9, 1863
2. LOUISE BROOKS . . . . . born August 12, 1869

Address, Ardmore, Pa.

Office, 261 South 4th Street, Philadelphia, Pa., Henry Winsor & Co., Merchants

2d—1st

EMILY CHAPMAN WINSOR

Born April 9, 1863 Died

Married June 3, 1885

WILLIAM RUCKMAN PHILLER

Born February 17, 1858 Died

2 children

1. EMILY WINSOR . . . . . born August 25, 1886
2. WILLIAM WINSOR . . . . . born August 23, 1888

Address, Haverford, Pa.

2d—2d

LOUISE BROOKS WINSOR

Born August 12, 1869 Died

Married May 3, 1890

HORACE HOWARD FURNESS, Jr.

Born January 24, 1865 Died

No children

Address, 2034 De Lancy Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

1st—3d

HENRY WINSOR, Jr.

Born April 30, 1839 Died August 27, 1894

Married December 9, 1865

LILLIE JACKSON

Born Died 1912

No children

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1st—4th

JAMES DAVIS WINSOR

Born May 4, 1843 Died

Of the firm of Henry Winsor & Co., Merchants in Philadelphia, Pa.

Married May 30, 1872

REBECCA CHAPMAN

Born December 20, 1848 Died

5 children

1. MARY . . . . . born March 28, 1873
2. DR. HENRY . . . . . born March 29, 1875
3. JAMES DAVIS, JR. . . . . born September 6, 1876
4. REBECCA . . . . . born June 12, 1879
5. ELLEN . . . . . born November 30, 1882

Address, Haverford, Pa.

4th—3d

JAMES DAVIS WINSOR, JR.

Born September 6, 1876 Died

Married June 16, 1904

MARION HARDING CURTIN

Born May 20, 1878 Died

3 children

1. CURTIN . . . . . born December 15, 1905
2. JAMES DAVIS, 3D . . . . . born June 30, 1908
3. MARION . . . . . born November 26, 1912

Address, 2017 Locust Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

4th—4th

REBECCA WINSOR

Born June 12, 1879 Died

Married November 25, 1912

EDMUND CADWALADER EVANS

Born February 26, 1879 Died

No children

Address, Ardmore, Pa.

Fourth—2d

JANE WINSOR

Born July 31, 1805 — Died June 4, 1888

Married October 14, 1827

Capt. GERSHOM WINSOR

Born November 23, 1801 — Died at sea February 12, 1841

5 children

1. HORACE EDWIN . . . . . born May 18, 1829
   Served in U.S. Navy during the Rebellion as engineer
2. FLORENCE GREGORY . . . . . born August 15, 1832
3. ADA . . . . . born August 17, 1834
4. PAULINE . . . . . born March 12, 1836
5. GERSHOM CRAYTON . . . . . born February 19, 1840

2d—2d

FLORENCE GREGORY WINSOR

Born August 15, 1832 — Died September 19, 1859

Married January 26, 1853

STEPHEN NYE GIFFORD

Born July 21, 1815 — Died April 18, 1886

1 child

STEPHEN WENTWORTH . . . . . born September 19, 1859

"And the stately ships go on
To their haven under the hill;
But O for the touch of a vanish'd hand,
And the sound of a voice that is still!"

2d—1st

STEPHEN WENTWORTH GIFFORD

Born September 19, 1859 Died

Married April 11, 1883

ELLA LOUISE CHANDLER

Born March 31, 1859 Died

4 children

1. STEPHEN WENTWORTH, Jr. . . . born February 7, 1884
2. FLORENCE WINSOR . . . . . born June 19, 1887
3. CHANDLER . . . . . born August 9, 1888
4. ROBERT GREGORY . . . . . born December 10, 1893

Address, Cedar Street, Duxbury, Mass.

2d—3d

ADA WINSOR

Born August 17, 1834 Died

Married July 1, 1861

STEPHEN NYE GIFFORD

Born July 21, 1815 Died April 18, 1886

3 children

1. MARY NYE . . . . . born July 21, 1866
   Not married
2. PAUL WINSOR . . . . . born December 5, 1868
   Not married
3. CARLETON SPRAGUE . . . . . born June 29, 1876

Address, Duxbury, Mass.

3d—3d

CARLETON SPRAGUE GIFFORD

Born June 29, 1876 Died

Married May 18, 1909

RAYMAH DOWSE

Born October 1, 1876 Died

1 child

ROSAMOND . . . . . born March 24, 1910

Address, 18½ Autumn Street, Fenway Station, Boston, Mass.

2d—5th

GERSHOM CRAYTON WINSOR

Born February 19, 1840 Died

Served as Adjutant of the Cadet Regiment, the 45th Massachusetts, in the Civil War

Married June 10, 1867

MARY LOUISA MAY

Born June 10, 1844 Died

2 children

1. MARY MAY . . . . . born August 30, 1869
2. FLORENCE MAY . . . . . born November 11, 1873

Address, Soldiers' Home, Chelsea, Mass.

5th—1st

MARY MAY WINSOR

Born August 30, 1869 Died

Married August 11, 1906

EDMUND THOMAS SANDARS

Born Died

(An Englishman.) They live in London

No children

Address, Queen Anne's Mansions, Westminster, London, England

5th—2d

FLORENCE MAY WINSOR

Born November 11, 1873 Died

Married June 15, 1898

JOHN MAITLAND BREWER CHURCHILL

Born January 18, 1858 Died July 29, 1900

1 child

JOHN MAITLAND BREWER, JR. . . . . born June 20, 1899

Address, 803 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass.

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Fourth—3d

SETH WINSOR

Born September 31, 1807 Died November 22, 1886

First married

RHODA GIFFORD

Born March 20, 1824 Died January 20, 1863

Second married

WIDOW HODGDON

Born March 15, 1816 Died August 23, 1881

No children

THE WAYS

BY JOHN OXENHAM

"To every man there openeth
A way, and ways, and a way.
And the high soul climbs the high way,
And the low soul gropes the low;
And in between, on the misty flats,
The rest drift to and fro.
But to every man there openeth
A high way and a low,
And every man decideth
The way his soul shall go."

CAPT. THOMAS WINSOR, JR.

Born August 22, 1809 Died January 26, 1887

General Manager and Founder of the Boston Towboat Company

Married December 23, 1834

SUSAN WINSOR

Born July 10, 1809 Died December 26, 1906

4 children

1. THOMAS IRVING . . . . . born September 11, 1841
2. ARTHUR AUSTIN . . . . . born May 24, 1844
3. SIDNEY ALBERT . . . . . born 1849
   Died 1864
4. ANNA CORNELIA . . . . . born March 1, 1852

4th—1st

THOMAS IRVING WINSOR

Born September 11, 1841 Died December 27, 1913

General Manager of the Boston Towboat Company

Married First

AMELIA HIBBARD

Born Died

1 child

NELLIE MAY . . . . . born May 13, 1864
Died March 2, 1909

Married Second

ELIZA S. GERRY

Born 1853 Died

4 children

1. ELSIE IRENE . . . . . born 1873
2. GRACE EVELYN . . . . . born 1875
3. THOMAS IRVING, JR. . . . . born 1880
   All single
4. GERTRUDE ALICE . . . . . born 1883
   Died 1888

Address, Corner Maple and Cheney Streets, Roxbury, Mass.

4th—2d

ARTHUR AUSTIN WINSOR

Born May 24, 1844 Died

Married First October 30, 1867

RACHEL MARIA HAMMOND

Born July 7, 1847 Died February 21, 1870

1 child

MARIE HAMMOND . . . . . born February 21, 1870
Died in seven months

Address, Westboro, Mass.

Married Second November 15, 1893

SARAH ELIZABETH TUTTLE

Born April 16, 1860 Died

6 children

1. AMY ADELINE . . . . . born October 28, 1894
Address, Neponset, Mass.
2. RALPH . . . . . born May 26, 1896
Died May 26, 1896
3. EARL AUSTIN . . . . . born March 18, 1897
4. DORA ELIZABETH . . . . . born December 8, 1898
5. SUSAN RACHEL . . . . . born September 18, 1901
6. ALICE LOUISE . . . . . born May 29, 1904

Address, Westboro, Mass.

4th—4th

ANNA CORNELIA WINSOR

Born March 1, 1852 Died February 14, 1907

Married May 17, 1870

GEORGE AUGUSTINE EASTMAN

Born January 4, 1845 Died

3 children

1. MARIE WINSOR . . . . . born November 25, 1871
2. FREDERICK HAROLD . . . . . born August 3, 1873
Died August 8, 1874
3. GEORGE HERBERT . . . . . born October 6, 1877

Address, 60 Ocean Street, Dorchester, Mass.

Fourth—5th

ALFRED WINSOR

Born April 9, 1811 — Died September 16, 1871

Well-known Merchant of Boston, Mass.

Married April 11, 1833

ANN MARIA BIRD

Born December 28, 1812 — Died August 16, 1895

9 children

1. HELEN MARIA . . . . . born February 22, 1834
2. MARY PERCIVAL . . . . . born April 9, 1836
   Not married — Died March 21, 1881
3. ALFRED, Jr. . . . . born February 4, 1838
4. FRANK GORDON . . . . . born February 27, 1840
5. RUFUS HATHAWAY . . . . . born July 16, 1843
6. LAURA TOWNSEND . . . . . born June 30, 1845
7. WALTER THAXTER . . . . . born November 1, 1847
   Not married — Died January 29, 1905
8. AMY SCOTT . . . . . born October 10, 1850
   Died April 3, 1903
9. ERNEST . . . . . born July 18, 1852

5th—1st

HELEN MARIA WINSOR

Born February 22, 1834 — Died

Married September 16, 1857

EDWARD SOUTHWICK PHILBRICK

Born November 20, 1827 — Died February 13, 1889

No children

Address, Walnut Street, Brookline, Mass.

5th—3d

ALFRED WINSOR, Jr.

Born February 4, 1838 — Died

A worthy successor to his father in mercantile business in Boston, Mass.

Married June 3, 1875

LINDA KENNARD

Born November 26, 1853 — Died

4 children

1. MARGARET . . . . . born February 28, 1877
2. ALFRED, 3d . . . . . born January 8, 1880
3. KENNARD . . . . . born September 11, 1881
4. RUTH . . . . . born November 9, 1887

Address, Brookline, Mass.

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5th—3d—1st

MARGARET WINSOR

Born February 28, 1877 Died

Married May 20, 1903

CHARLES COLLENS

Born October 14, 1873 Died

2 children

1. MARGARET LYMAN . . . . . born March 24, 1904
2. CHARLES TERRY . . . . . born September 23, 1908

Address, Newton Centre, Mass.

3d—4th

RUTH WINSOR

Born November 9, 1887 Died

Married June 25, 1910

HUGH MINTURN

Born Died

2 children

1. ROBERT BOWEN . . . . . born May 2, 1911
2. HUGH, Jr. . . . . born December 27, 1913

Address, Brookline, Mass.

5th—4th

FRANK GORDON WINSOR

Born February 27, 1840 Died

Married October 19, 1865

MARY BARNES

Born Died May 1, 1880

4 children

1. CHARLOTTE BARNES . . . . . born June 26, 1866
2. FRANK . . . . . born 1868
   Died 1869
3. HENRY LINCOLN . . . . . born December 1, 1872
4. EDITH FRANCES . . . . . born September 19, 1876

4th—4th

EDITH FRANCES WINSOR

Born September 19, 1876 Died

Married June 24, 1902

HAROLD SYMMES GRAVES

Born November 20, 1876 Died

2 children

1. WINSOR HUFFMEISTER . . . . . born October 22, 1905
2. GILBERT LINCOLN . . . . . born August 26, 1907

Address, Weston, Mass.

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5th—5th

RUFUS HATHAWAY WINSOR

Born July 16, 1843 Died

Married October 6, 1873

CLARA ANN BARTLETT

Born June 25, 1849 Died

4 children

1. HARRIET BARTLETT . . . . . born June 24, 1875
   Not married
2. ANNA . . . . . born November 21, 1876
   Died May 14, 1885
3. RUFUS HATHAWAY, Jr. . . . . born March 27, 1880
   Died May 21, 1885
4. HELEN MARIA . . . . . born April 14, 1886
   Died March 17, 1891

Address, 175 Forest Park Avenue, Springfield, Mass.

5th—6th

LAURA TOWNSEND WINSOR

Born June 30, 1845 Died

Married July 5, 1866

RICHARD HARDING WELD

Born October 22, 1835 Died March, 1909

2 children

1. RICHARD HARDING, Jr. . . . . born October 26, 1867
   Not married
2. ALFRED WINSOR . . . . . born July 12, 1869

Address, 109 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass.

6th—2d

ALFRED WINSOR WELD

Born July 12, 1869 Died

Married October 25, 1892

THERESA DAVIS

Born December 9, 1873 Died

4 children

1. THERESA . . . . . born August 21, 1893
2. WALTER WINSOR . . . . . born November 3, 1894
3. LOUISA . . . . . born September 28, 1900
4. DOROTHY . . . . . born May 31, 1905

Address, Chestnut Hill, Mass.

5th—9th

ERNEST WINSOR

Born July 18, 1852 Died

Married June 8, 1882

ANNA GREENLEAF ATKINSON

Born February 25, 1858 Died

4 children

1. PERCIVAL . . . . . born September 1, 1883
   Died November 10, 1891
2. ANNA GREENLEAF . . . . . born February 6, 1885
3. EDWARD ATKINSON . . . . . born August 19, 1889
   Not married
4. HELEN . . . . . born July 17, 1894
   Not married

Address, Chestnut Hill, Brookline, Mass.

9th—2d

ANNA GREENLEAF WINSOR

Born February 6, 1885 Died

Married June 20, 1912

DR. JOHN BAKER SWIFT, JR.

Born August 12, 1883 Died

1 child

MARTHA . . . . . born July 28, 1914

Address, Chestnut Hill, Mass.

Fourth—7th

HARRIET WINSOR

Born May 25, 1816 Died February 27, 1905

Married August 12, 1840

RICHARD SOULE, Jr.

Born June 8, 1812 Died December 25, 1877

4 children

1. CHARLES CARROLL . . . . . born June 25, 1842
2. ELLA . . . . . born May 8, 1844

Not married

Address, 2 Wellington Terrace, Brookline, Mass.

3. RICHARD HERMAN . . . . . born March 4, 1849
4. GEORGE . . . . . born May 17, 1851

Not married Died December 4, 1897

7th—1st

CHARLES CARROLL SOULE

Born June 25, 1842 Died January 7, 1913

Married October 9, 1878

LOUISE CHARLESS FARWELL

Born July 26, 1850 Died

4 children

1. RUTH MAYNARD . . . . . born April 17, 1880
2. DOROTHY WINSOR . . . . . born October 24, 1881
3. CHARLES CARROLL, Jr. . . . . born September 25, 1883
4. BARBARA . . . . . born July 28, 1889

Died July 27, 1891

Address, 5 Wellington Terrace, Brookline, Mass.

1st—1st

RUTH MAYNARD SOULE

Born April 17, 1880 Died

Married May 25, 1912

FREDERIC BOURNE TAYLOR

Born October 2, 1877 Died

1 child

LOUISE FARWELL . . . . . born February 26, 1914

Address, 5 Wellington Terrace, Brookline, Mass.

1st—2d

DOROTHY WINSOR SOULE

Born October 24, 1881 Died

Married May 6, 1909

WILLIAM BALCH COFFIN

Born December 30, 1877 Died

2 children

1. WILLIAM BALCH, JR. . . . . born May 20, 1911
2. RUTH MAYNARD . . . . . born May 29, 1913

Address, 40 Oakland Road, Brookline, Mass.

1st—3d

LIEUT. CHARLES CARROLL SOULE, JR.

Born September 25, 1883 Died

United States Navy

Married March 24, 1911

OLETA PETTIGROVE

Born Died

No children

Address, uncertain

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7th—3d

RICHARD HERMAN SOULE

Born March 4, 1849 Died December 13, 1908

Married April 13, 1882

IDA WHITTEMORE

Born February 17, 1849 Died

2 children

1. WINSOR . . . . . born November 3, 1883
2. AUGUSTUS W. . . . . born February 4, 1885

Address, 421 Marlboro Street, Boston, Mass.

3d—1st

WINSOR SOULE

Born November 3, 1883 Died

Married October 19, 1907

JUDITH BRAZIER DE FOREST

Born March 23, 1884 Died

No children

Address, 1834 Laguna Street, Santa Barbara, Cal.

"The little cares that fretted me,
I lost them yesterday
Among the fields above the sea,
Among the winds at play;
Among the lowing of the herds,
The rustling of the trees,
Among the singing of the birds,
The humming of the bees.

The foolish fears of what may happen,
I cast them all away
Among the clover-scented grass,
Among the new-mown hay;
Among the husking of the corn
Where drowsy poppies nod,
Where ill thoughts die and good are born,
Out in the fields with God."

Fourth—8th

ELIZABETH HALE WINSOR

Born April 14, 1818 Died January 8, 1882

Married August 12, 1840

JOHN ANDREW BIRD

Born July 11, 1815 Died January 24, 1873

3 children

1. WILLIAM BARNARD . . . . . born August 29, 1841
   Died young
2. WILLIAM BARNARD, 2D . . . . born December 22, 1842
3. EFFIE . . . . . born August 12, 1852

8th—2d

WILLIAM BARNARD BIRD, 2D

Born December 22, 1842 Died September 16, 1914

Head of the old firm of J. A. & W. Bird in Drysalters' Trade and Dealers in Extracts and Chemicals in Boston

Married September 12, 1866

CAROLINE MAY CROSSMAN

Born 1849 Died

3 children

1. MARION . . . . . born January 7, 1868
2. REGINALD WILLIAM . . . . . born June 22, 1872
3. ELIZABETH HALE . . . . . born March 2, 1883

Address, The Charlesgate, Boston, Mass.

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8th—2d—2d

REGINALD WILLIAM BIRD

Born June 22, 1872 Died

Married August 31, 1905

VIOLET DEAN GOODERBAM

Born 1878 Died

3 children

1. JOHN REGINALD . . . . . born June 21, 1906
2. BARBARA DEAN . . . . . born May 9, 1908
   Died April 1, 1909
3. MARY ELIZABETH . . . . . born December 22, 1910

Address, 40 Still Street, Brookline, Mass.

8th—3d

EFFIE BIRD

Born August 12, 1852 Died

Married May 20, 1875

CHARLES LINZEE TILDEN

Born August 12, 1842 Died December 4, 1906

1 child

ELIZABETH WINSOR . . . . . born January 24, 1876

Address, Brush Hill Road, Milton, Mass.

8th—3d—1st

ELIZABETH WINSOR TILDEN

Born January 24, 1876 Died

Married June 1, 1897

CLARENCE BIGELOW DENNY

Born 1871 Died

1 child

DANIEL . . . . . born May 29, 1898
Died July 18, 1914

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Fourth—9th

JUDITH SPRAGUE WINSOR

Born August 1, 1820 — Died November 25, 1912

Married

CAPT. BAILEY LORING

Born 1813 — Died September 20, 1875

1 child

JANE WINSOR . . . . . born February 1, 1858
Died May 12, 1866

"The angel of the flowers one day
Beneath a rose-tree sleeping lay,—
That spirit to whom charge is given
To bathe young buds in dews from heaven.
Awakening from his light repose,
The angel whispered to the rose,
'O fondest object of my care,
Still fairest found where all is fair,
For the sweet shade thou hast given me
Ask what thou wilt, 'tis granted thee.'
Then said the rose with deepen'd glow,
'On me another grace bestow.'
The spirit paused, in silent thought.
What grace was there that flower had not?
'Twas but a moment—o'er the rose
A veil of moss the angel throws;
And, robed in nature's simplest weed,
Could there a flower that rose exceed?"

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DR. FREDERICK WINSOR

Born October 2, 1829 Died February 25, 1889

Married August 10, 1857

ANN BENT WARE

Born March 23, 1830 Died May 20, 1907

7 children

1. ROBERT . . . . . born May 24, 1858
2. MARY PICKARD . . . . . born October 31, 1860
   Not married
   Address, Dudley Road, Newton Centre, Mass.
3. PAUL . . . . . born June 12, 1863
4. ANNIE WARE . . . . . born May 26, 1865
5. JANE LORING . . . . . born November 8, 1868
6. ELIZABETH WARE . . . . . born November 15, 1870
7. FREDERICK, JR. . . . . born March 29, 1872

11th—1st

ROBERT WINSOR

Born May 24, 1858 Died

He is the leading Partner in the well-known Banking House of Kidder, Peabody & Co., Boston

Married October 27, 1883

ELEANOR MAY MAGEE

Born September 15, 1855 Died

6 children

1. ROBERT, JR. . . . . born August 10, 1884
2. FREDERICK . . . . . born March 15, 1889
   Died April 12, 1894
3. PHILIP . . . . . born February 6, 1893
4. ALEXANDER . . . . . born September 22, 1894
5. MARY PICKARD . . . . . born August 6, 1896
6. (——) (a boy) . . . . . born April 11, 1900
   Died December 22, 1900

Address, 21 Marlboro Street, Boston, Mass.
Address, Weston, Mass. (summer)

11th—3d

PAUL WINSOR

Born June 12, 1863 Died

Married September 27, 1888

JESSIE BALDWIN

Born August 7, 1863 Died

2 children

1. PAUL, Jr. . . . . born March 27, 1900
2. FELIX . . . . . born August 14, 1901

Address, Weston, Mass.

11th—4th

ANNIE WARE WINSOR

Born May 26, 1865 Died

Married June 4, 1900

JOSEPH ALLEN

Born March 21, 1870 Died

4 children

1. DOROTHEA FENLON . . . . . born March 1, 1901
2. ANNIE WINSOR . . . . . born June 8, 1902
3. JOSEPH, Jr. . . . . born May 18, 1905
4. DAVID . . . . . born November, 1906
   Died December, 1906

Address, White Plains, R.I.

"Our ingress into this world is naked and bare,
Our progress through this world is trouble and care,
Our egress from this world is nobody knows where;
But if we do well here, we shall do well there.
I could tell you no more should I preach a whole year."

11th—5th

JANE LORING WINSOR

Born November 8, 1868 Died

Married March 12, 1895

LYMAN WHITMAN GALE

Born January 1, 1873 Died

3 children

1. PRISCILLA . . . . . born August 7, 1896
2. EMMA WHITMAN . . . . . born January 2, 1900
3. WINSOR . . . . . born January 1, 1901

Address, Weston, Mass.

11th—6th

ELIZABETH WARE WINSOR

Born November 15, 1870 Died

Married September 6, 1898

HENRY GREENLEAF PEARSON

Born December 26, 1870 Died

5 children

1. ANNIE WINSOR . . . . . born November 13, 1899
   Died August 11, 1901
2. THEODORE . . . . . born July 7, 1903
3. MARY . . . . . born January 31, 1906
   Died October 30, 1906
4. ROBERT WINSOR . . . . . born February 18, 1910
5. HENRY GREENLEAF, JR. . . . . born November 10, 1912

Address, Dudley Road, Newton Centre, Mass.

11th—7th

FREDERICK WINSOR, Jr.

Born March 29, 1872 Died

Married June 18, 1894

MARY ANNA LEE PAINE

Born July 23, 1873 Died

5 children

1. CHARLES PAINE . . . . . born June 19, 1895
2. DOROTHY . . . . . born August 27, 1896
3. FREDERICK, 3d . . . . . born October 15, 1900
4. JOHN BRYANT . . . . . born April 28, 1903
5. THERESA . . . . . born June 7, 1904

Address, Middlesex School, Concord, Mass.

"Question not, but live and labor
Till your goal be won;
Helping every feeble stranger,
Seeking help of none."

"Ever beloved and loving may his rule be!
And, when old Time shall lead him to his end,
Goodness and he fill up one monument!"

THE DIARY OF PILGRIM GEORGE SOULE

THE MAYFLOWER, SEPTEMBER 6–NOVEMBER 11, 1620

"It lies upon the library desk,
A diary brown and old;
The leather back is torn away,
The pages blurred with mould;
But still a sentence here and there
Is left by time to show
The hopes and fears of Pilgrim Soule,
Who kept it long ago.

In what a stiff, old-fashioned hand
His solemn thoughts were penned,
And how the Mayflower must have rolled,
For half the letters blend!
And here he enters "Grievous sick,"
And here, "A child was born,"
And later on, "A sailor dyed
This holy Sabbath morn."

He mentions, too, a Mistress Anne
He left across the sea
In some old garden hedged with box
And haunted by the bee;
And if you hold this tattered leaf
Between you and the light,
You still can see the pilgrim's tear
That blistered "Land in sight!"

In stately tomb and simple mould
The Pilgrim Fathers sleep,
Forgetting, in their final rest,
The perils of the deep.
The Mayflower, with her oaken ribs,
Is nothing but a name;
But Pilgrim Soule, your little book
Outlived your sturdy frame!"

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Fifth

"Sunset and evening star,
And one clear call for me!
And may there be no moaning of the bar
When I put out to sea."

Ruth Sprague

Born December 4, 1785 — Died March 25, 1836

Married November 9, 1806

CAPT. GEORGE SOULE

Born December 4, 1779 — Died February 11, 1820

Of yellow fever and buried at St. Thomas, W.I.

6 children

1. GEORGE, JR. . . . . born August 31, 1807
   Died October 28, 1812
2. LAURA . . . . . born January 14, 1811
   Died September 28, 1813
3. GEORGE MARSHALL . . . . . born December 2, 1813
4. LAURA ANN . . . . . born March 14, 1816
5. CAPT. JAMES . . . . . born March 13, 1818
6. NICHOLAS BROWN . . . . . born June 6, 1820
   Died July 1, 1842

Of yellow fever on passage from Havana

Fifth—3d

GEORGE MARSHALL SOULE

Born December 2, 1813 — Died April 25, 1868

He was of the firm of Sprague, Soule & Co., in Boston, Mass.

Married 1841

LUCY THOMAS FORD

Born 1821 — Died 1911

2 children

1. ELLEN GRAY . . . . . born 1842
2. LUCY FRANCES . . . . . born 1842

Not married

Live in Hingham

LAURA ANN SOULE

Born March 14, 1816 Died March 5, 1907

Was married at seven o'clock on the morning of the 19th of March, 1841, in the old Sprague Homestead (in the room in which her mother and ten aunts were all married), to

PAUL WING

Born December 12, 1811 Died September 29, 1907

Who had the patience to keep a successful boarding-school for boys for thirty-two years at Sandwich, Mass. He was excommunicated by the Quakers for marrying a Methodist

A remarkable man

8 children

1. GIDEON . . . . . born May 25, 1842
2. ADA JAMES . . . . . born September 13, 1843
3. FRANCIS PAUL . . . . . born July 25, 1845
4. ROSE DAVIS . . . . . born July 10, 1847
5. JOSEPH . . . . . born March 30, 1849
6. ELIZA LORING . . . . . born July 25, 1851
   Not married
7. GEORGE SOULE . . . . . born May 15, 1857
8. LAURA SOULE . . . . . born September 21, 1859
   Not married

"There is none, in all this cold and hollow world,
No fount of deep, strong, deathless love, save that within
A mother's heart!"

"A mother's love—how sweet the name!
What is a mother's love?
A noble, pure and tender flame
Enkindled from above,
To bless a heart of earthly mould,
The warmest love that can grow old—
This is a mother's love."

"A mother is a mother still,
The holiest thing alive."

4th—1st

GIDEON WING

Born May 25, 1842 Died May 11, 1864

He enlisted in 1862 in the 7th Indiana Cavalry, and was killed at Youngton, Miss., in a skirmish, May 11, 1864, while acting as orderly to the sergeant

4th—2d

ADA JAMES WING

Born September 13, 1843 Died

Married September 20, 1866

JOHN FOSTER

Born November 9, 1832 Died October 9, 1909

3 children

1. WILLIAM HENRY . . . . . born July 13, 1867
2. ELLEN SOULE . . . . . born May 10, 1869
   Not married
3. GEORGE FREDERICK . . . . . born August 1, 1871
   Not married

Address, 530 Seventh Street, Faribault, Minn.

4th—2d—1st

WILLIAM HENRY FOSTER

Born July 13, 1867 Died

Married December 15, 1902

FRANCES MILOR

Born October 28, 1871 Died

No children

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5th—4th—3d

FRANCIS PAUL WING

Born July 25, 1845 Died

Married September, 1877

JOANNA WILDER CUSHING

Born August 11, 1857 Died March 18, 1901

2 children

1. ELSIE SOULE . . . . . born September 17, 1878
   Not married
2. LILIAN FRANCES . . . . . born June 4, 1881
   Died May 1, 1898

Address, East Sandwich, Mass.

5th—4th—4th

ROSE DAVIS WING

Born July 10, 1847 Died

Married December 27, 1887

OTTO F. VON ARNIM

Born Died

Address, 103 East 86th Street, New York, N.Y.

"God in his providence obscures
The goal beyond this vale of sorrow,
And smiles at men in pity when
They seek to penetrate the morrow;
With faith that all is for the best,
Let's bear what burdens are presented,
That we shall say, let come what may,
'We die, as we have lived, contented!
Ours is to-day; God's is the rest—
He doth ordain, who knoweth best.'"

5th—4th—5th

JOSEPH WING

Born March 30, 1849 Died

Married January 4, 1888

ADDIE GIBBS FRYE

Born November 7, 1864 Died

5 children

1. PAUL . . . . . born February 6, 1889
2. DOROTHY . . . . . born August 18, 1890
   Not married
3. MARION . . . . . born May 22, 1893
   Not married
4. RACHEL . . . . . born March 10, 1895
   Died July 24, 1909
5. RICHARD . . . . . born December 27, 1896
   Died January, 1903

Address, East Sandwich, Mass.

5th—1st

PAUL WING

Born February 6, 1889 Died

Married December 24, 1910

MARY HOWLAND

Born September 3, 1881 Died

2 children

1. VIRGINIA . . . . . born July 17, 1911
2. PAUL, Jr. . . . . born March 19, 1913

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5th—4th—7th

GEORGE SOULE WING

Born May 15, 1857 Died

Married September 4, 1901

ALICE BOYDEN

Born April 18, 1869 Died

1 child

GEORGE SOULE . . . . . born May 20, 1903

Address, Sandwich, Mass.

Fifth—5th

CAPT. JAMES SOULE

Born March 13, 1818 . . . . . Died January 17, 1910

Married

ELIZABETH FULLER

Born Died

1 child

NICHOLAS BROWN . . . . . born March 13, 1856

5th—5th—1st

NICHOLAS BROWN SOULE

Born March 13, 1856 Died

Married February 3, 1880

MARY ELIZABETH FREIEZE

Born November 13, 1856 Died

4 children

1. ELSIE MAY . . . . . born March 15, 1881
2. FLORENCE ELIZABETH . . . . . born August 28, 1883
3. HOWARD CLEAVELAND . . . . . born October 12, 1885
4. FREDERICK JAMES . . . . . born April 2, 1888

None married

Address, 39 Bearse Avenue, Dorchester, Mass.

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Sixth

"Now is the winter of our discontent
Made glorious summer,
And all the clouds that lower'd upon our house
In the deep bosom of the ocean buried."

"Some must watch, while some must sleep;
So runs the world away."

Hon. Seth Sprague, Jr.

Born November 21, 1787 Died December 1, 1856

Married August 13, 1813

WELTHEA LITTLE

Born October 31, 1788 Died April 3, 1892

No children

Adopted his nephew SETH LORING
son of his sister NANCY LORING

6th—1st

DR. SETH LORING SPRAGUE

Born August 25, 1825 Died March 25, 1897

Married October 21, 1857

CAROLINE HORTON FOSTER

Born March 5, 1837 Died

1 child

SETH . . . . . born January 7, 1861

Not married

Address, Auburndale, Mass.

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Seventh

"When a red light you see ahead,
Port your helm and go ahead."

"Ships that pass in the night
And speak each other in passing."

Mercy Sprague

Born December 25, 1789 — Died December 17, 1840

Married June 25, 1809

CAPT. CHARLES SOULE

Born April 22, 1782 — Died 1866

13 children

1. ISABELLA . . . . . born March 23, 1810
2. CAROLINE SPRAGUE . . . . . born August 8, 1811
3. HARVEY . . . . . born November 16, 1812
4. ELIZABETH . . . . . born October 24, 1814
   Died August 29, 1839
5. SUSAN . . . . . born December 27, 1815
   Died October 20, 1816
6. CHARLES . . . . . born April 13, 1819
   Died July 23, 1820
7. CHARLES, 2D . . . . . born January 3, 1821
8. OTIS . . . . . born August 3, 1823
9. EDWIN AUGUSTUS } Twins . . . . . born August 3, 1825
10. SUSAN AUGUSTA }
11. MARCELLUS . . . . . born May 25, 1827
12. PELEG SPRAGUE . . . . . born November 8, 1830
    Died April 28, 1832
13. MERCY SPRAGUE . . . . . born May 9, 1835
    Not married

"When both side lights you see ahead,
Port your helm and show your RED.
GREEN to GREEN, or RED to RED—
Perfect safety—go ahead!

If to your starboard RED appear,
It is your duty to keep clear,
To act as prudence says is proper—
To port—or starboard—back or stop her!

But when upon your port is seen
A steamer's starboard light of GREEN,
There's not so much for you to do,
For GREEN to port keeps clear of you.

Both in safety and in doubt,
Always keep a good lookout;
In danger, with no room to turn,
Ease her! Stop her! Go astern!"

Seventh—1st

ISABELLA SOULE

Born March 23, 1810 — Died 1885

Married 1833

GEORGE SAMPSON

Born 1809 — Died 1881

1 child

ELIZABETH SOULE . . . . . born 1840

1st—1st

ELIZABETH SOULE SAMPSON

Born 1840 — Died

Married June 17, 1866

WASHINGTON IRVING CORTHELL

Born 1839 — Died 1887

3 children

1. GEORGE SAMPSON . . . . . born June 13, 1867
   Died 1867
2. SALLIE HARVEY . . . . . born August 21, 1869
   Died 1870
3. IRVING MERRILL . . . . . born October 15, 1871
   Died 1872

Address, Bolton, Mass.

Seventh—2d

CAROLINE SPRAGUE SOULE

Born August 8, 1811 — Died

Married

GEORGE BARTLETT HOLMES

Born — Died

3 children

1. GEORGE HERBERT . . . . . born — Died
2. RUFUS . . . . . born — Died } Unknown
3. WALDO . . . . . born

Seventh—3d

HARVEY SOULE

Born November 16, 1812 — Died March, 1900

Married First

PRISCILLA PIERCE

Born February 23, 1818 — Died June 7, 1863

1 child

NICHOLAS BROWN . . . . . born May 29, 1843
Died October 10, 1844

Married Second, May 1, 1864

SUSAN LEWIS

Widow of Wesley Simmons

Born July 24, 1839 — Died

2 children

1. OTIS LEWIS . . . . . born November 11, 1865
2. HARVEY ALBION . . . . . born April 22, 1867

3d—1st

OTIS LEWIS SOULE

Born November 11, 1865 Died

Married April 16, 1887

CARRIE MASON HUNT

Born September 28, 1867 Died

2 children

1. HAROLD GRAY . . . . . born October 10, 1888
2. MELVIN W. . . . . born January 18, 1897
   Died July 16, 1897

3d—2d

HARVEY ALBION SOULE

Born April 22, 1867 Died

Married June 20, 1894

ABBIE ADAMS CLARK

Born March 19, 1869 Died

1 child

PAULINE MIRIAM . . . . . born April 4, 1903

Address, Kingston, Mass.

"See where the dogwood stretches out white arms
And wild bees revel, drunk with flora's charms.
The brooks are full, and all the channels where life flows
Are brimming over. For the old earth knows
The thrill of ecstasy again which Maytime brings,
The wood-bird's love-song and the whir of wings."

Seventh—7th

CHARLES SOULE, 2D

Born January 3, 1821 Died February 17, 1893

Married June 9, 1847

PRUDENCE LORING SOULE

Born 1822 Died October, 1865

6 children

1. ISABELLA GRIDLEY . . . . . born June 6, 1852
2. HARRISON LORING . . . . . born October 10, 1859
3. ANNIE ALDEN . . . . . born October 28, 1863
4. HARRIET WINSOR . . . . . born October 15, 1865
5. FREDERICK LORING . . . . . died in infancy
6. HELEN BROOKS . . . . . died in infancy

7th—1st

ISABELLA GRIDLEY SOULE

Born June 6, 1852 Died January 1, 1893

Married 1874

HORACE GILBERT WILLIAMS

Born 1849 Died

2 children

1. ELIOT LORING . . . . . born July 5, 1881
2. HELEN SOULE . . . . . born July 21, 1883

Address, 107 Beaumont Street, Dorchester, Mass.

7th—1st—1st

ELIOT LORING WILLIAMS

Born July 5, 1881 Died

Married June 29, 1907

GRACE MAY HOCKADAY

Born April 3, 1881 Died

1 child

ELEANOR LORING . . . . . born April 13, 1911

Address, 83 St. Nicholas Park, New York City

7th—1st—2d

HELEN SOULE WILLIAMS

Born July 21, 1883 Died

Married October 3, 1908

SANFORD BATES

Born July 17, 1884 Died

1 child

MARY ELIZABETH . . . . . born September, 1911

Address, 107 Beaumont Street, Dorchester, Mass.

7th—2d

HARRISON LORING SOULE

Born October 10, 1859 Died

Married First

RENA B. HILDRETH

Born Died

No children

Married Second

CARRIE AUGUSTA KNIGHT

Born December 22, 1865 Died

No children

Address, 56 Pleasant Street, Winthrop, Mass.

7th—3d

ANNIE ALDEN SOULE

Born October 28, 1863 Died

Married November 15, 1883

CHARLES F. HILDRETH

Born April 28, 1860 Died

No children

Address, 388 Adams Street, Dorchester, Mass.

7th—4th

HARRIET WINSOR SOULE

Born October 15, 1865 Died

Married First February 21, 1885

FREDERICK ERNEST SMITH

Born June 3, 1863 Died March, 1902

1 child

LILIAN SOULE . . . . . born November 19, 1885
Not married

Married Second December 31, 1910

HENRY BOWEN NEWTON

Born August 3, 1849 Died

No children

Address, Box 42, Bolton, Mass.

Seventh—8th

OTIS SOULE

Born August 3, 1823 Died

Married

MARY WHITNEY

Born Died

3 children

All died in infancy.

Seventh—9th

EDWIN AUGUSTUS SOULE

Born August 3, 1825 Died April 10, 1903

Married 1864

MARY FAUNCE

Born October 22, 1827 Died February 11, 1881

2 children

1. CLARA JANE . . . . . born August 25, 1865
   Not married
2. ANNIE CLARK . . . . . born July 19, 1867
   Not married

Address, 39 Upton Street, Boston, Mass.

Seventh—10th

SUSAN AUGUSTA SOULE

Born August 3, 1825 Died

Married 1847

WALTER SCOTT BARTLETT

Born 1818 Died

3 children

1. CAROLINE SPRAGUE . . . . . born 1848
2. WALTER JOSEPH . . . . . born 1853
3. CHARLES EDWIN . . . . . born 1858
   Died 1864

Address, Kingston, Mass.

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10th—1st

CAROLINE SPRAGUE BARTLETT

Born 1848 Died

Married 1868

SAMUEL ATWELL

Born 1846 Died

1 child

LUCY BARTLETT . . . . . born 1880

Address, Kingston, Mass.

10th—1st—1st

LUCY BARTLETT ATWELL

Born 1880 Died

Married July 20, 1904

ELBERT LEWIS KASKELL

Born 1878 Died

5 children

1. BARBARA ELLIS . . . . . born 1905
2. MIRRIAM } Twins
3. MARJORIE } . . . . . born 1906
4. WALTER BARTLETT . . . . . born 1907
5. SAMUEL ELBERT . . . . . born 1910

Address, Kingston, Mass.

9

10th—2d

WALTER JOSEPH BARTLETT

Born 1853 Died

Married 1880

LOUISE EMILY TANPIGNON

Born 1860 Died

2 children

1. LOUIS TANPIGNON . . . . . born 1882
   Not married
2. WALTER HARRISON . . . . . born 1887
   Died 1906

Address, Kingston, Mass.

Seventh—11th

MARCELLUS SOULE

Born May 27, 1827 Died

Married

ELLEN LYNCH

Born Died

No children

8

Eighth

Zeruiah Sprague

Born September 5, 1791 Died April 2, 1829

Married February 14, 1813

PEREZ THOMAS

Born March 17, 1782 Died January 30, 1862

1 child

JUDITH . . . . . born / Died } Unknown

Was married, name unknown. No children

Lived in Middleboro, Mass.

9

Ninth

"The quality of mercy is not strain'd;
It droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven
Upon the place beneath: it is twice bless'd;
It blesseth him that gives and him that takes."

Hon. Peleg Sprague

Born April 27, 1793 — Died 1880

Harvard Class 1812

Law School 1815

He then went to Augusta, capital of Maine now, and practised his profession. He removed to Hallowell in 1817, and represented that town in the first Legislature of Maine in 1821 and 1822. In the years 1824 and 1826 he represented the Kennebec District in Congress, and in 1829 Maine sent him to the United States Senate. In 1835 Mr. Sprague removed to Boston, and practised his profession there until 1841, when he received the appointment of Judge for the United States District Court of Massachusetts, which he continued to hold with great ability and distinction until ill-health compelled him to resign in 1865

Married 1818

SARAH DEMMING

Born 1794 — Died 1881

4 children

1. CHARLES FRANKLIN	born 1819 Died 1840
2. SETH EDWARD	born 1821
3. SARAH	born 1828
4. FRANCIS PELEG	born 1834

Ninth—2d

SETH EDWARD SPRAGUE

Born 1821 Died 1869

Harvard 1841

Married 1848

HARRIET BOARDMAN LAWRENCE

Born 1826 Died

5 children

1. WILLIAM LAWRENCE	born 1849 Died 1884
2. FANNY BOARDMAN	born 1851 Died 1856
3. CHARLES FRANKLIN	born 1857
4. RICHARD	born 1859 Died 1892
5. ELIZABETH LESLIE	born 1863 Died 1864

"Speak for father one kind word,
For his eyes are growing dim;
Though you tell of mother's love,
You are just as dear to him;
On his brow the wrinkles tell
That life's journey's almost through,
Then cheer his footsteps down life's path—
What a friend he's been to you!

Chorus

Speak for father one kind word,
For his journey's almost through;
You know he'll love to hear you say
What a friend he's been to you.

Speak for father one kind word;
Don't forget where'er you go,
In your youth his watchful eye
Guided and protected you;
All his deeds were those of love,
No unkind or selfish thought
Could ever for a moment dwell
In his fond and trusting heart.

Though your childhood days are past,
Though his locks are turning gray,
Still the love remains the same,
Just as pure and fresh to-day.
Mother's love to us is dear,
Never was a friend more true,
But one kind word for father speak,
He is just as dear to you."

2d—3d

CHARLES FRANKLIN SPRAGUE

Born 1857 Died 1902

Harvard 1879

He served in the Massachusetts Legislature for the years 1890–92, and in the Senate 1895, and represented the Eleventh District of the State in Congress for the years 1896–1900

Married 1891

MARY BRYANT PRATT

Born 1871 Died

2 children

1. MARION . . . . . born 1893
2. ELEANOR . . . . . born 1898

Ninth—3d

SARAH SPRAGUE

Born 1828 Died 1900

Married 1856

GEORGE PHINEAS UPHAM

Born 1826 Died 1901

2 children

1. GEORGE PHINEAS, JR. . . . . born 1859
2. CHARLOTTE . . . . . born 1864

3d—2d

CHARLOTTE UPHAM

Born 1864 Died

Married 1888

WALTER CABOT BAYLIES

Born 1862 Died

6 children

1. LINCOLN . . . . . born 1893
2. CHARLOTTE . . . . . born 1894
3. GEORGE UPHAM } Twins . . . . . born 1902
4. WALTER RAY }
5. EDMUND . . . . . born 1904
6. RUTH . . . . . born 1907

Address, Taunton, Mass.

Ninth—4th

DR. FRANCIS PELEG SPRAGUE

Born 1834 Died

Harvard Medical School 1857

Married 1868

ELIZABETH REBECCA LOWELL

Born 1831 Died 1904

No children

Address, 229 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, Mass.

10

Tenth

ARE THE CHILDREN AT HOME?

"Each day when the glow of sunset
Fades in the western sky,
And the wee ones, tired of playing,
Go tripping lightly by,
I steal away from my husband,
Asleep in his easy-chair,
And watch from the open doorway
Their faces fresh and fair."

Caroline Sprague

Born October 6, 1795 — Died 1877

Married

WILLIAM SAMPSON

Born 1795 — Died

8 children

1. CAROLINE AMELIA . . . . . born 1817
2. WILLIAM HENRY . . . . . born June, 1819
3. MARIA LOUISA . . . . . born April 15, 1825
4. VIRGINIA . . . . . born July 15, 1827
5. MARIETTA . . . . . born 1830
   Not married — Died 1861
6. JOSEPHINE . . . . . born May 24, 1832
7. FREDONIC . . . . . born 1836
8. ELIZABETH JULIA . . . . . born 1838
   Not married

William Sampson in 1834 with his family went West and settled in Camo on Rock River, Whiteside County, Illinois

Tenth—1st

CAROLINE AMELIA SAMPSON

Born 1817 — Died 1900

Married 1836

CAPT. SIMEON SAMPSON

Born 1815 — Died 1888

5 children

1. WALTER D. . . . . born 1837
2. LUCY SPRAGUE . . . . . born 1841
   Not married
   Address, 61 Trenton Street, East Boston, Mass.
3. ANGELINE . . . . . born 1843
   Died 1845
4. GEORGE AUGUSTUS . . . . . born December 16, 1848
5. DANIEL . . . . . born 1859
   Died 1859

1st—1st

WALTER D. SAMPSON

Born 1837 — Died

Married 1867

JENNIE FRENCH

Born — Died August 30, 1898

Address, Arcadia, Neb.

1st—4th

GEORGE AUGUSTUS SAMPSON

Born December 16, 1848 — Died September 12, 1897

Married August 6, 1871

MARY ELIZABETH WALLAESA

Born November 27, 1841 — Died June 21, 1909

1 child

CAROLINE REBECCA . . . . . born February 13, 1874

4th—1st

CAROLINE REBECCA SAMPSON

Born February 13, 1874 Died

Married July 18, 1894

WILLIAM HENRY ZICKLER

Born August 23, 1866 Died

2 children

1. SIMEON SAMPSON . . . . . born July 21, 1899
2. MARION ELIZABETH . . . . . born May 27, 1901

Address, West Hartford, Conn.

Tenth—2d

WILLIAM HENRY SAMPSON

Born June, 1819 Died 1901

Married 1847

CAROLINE E. HOPKINS

Born January 1, 1828 Died June, 1897

2 children

1. JOHN CLIFFORD . . . . . born August 24, 1848
2. CHARLES HOWARD . . . . . born February, 1858

2d—1st

JOHN CLIFFORD SAMPSON

Born August 24, 1848 Died

Married 1868

MADELINE PITTS

Born March 7, 1853 Died

2 children

1. HARRIET . . . . . born August 22, 1869
2. CHARLES CLIFFORD . . . . . born March 23, 1889

Address, 4433 Sidney Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

2d—1st—1st

HARRIET SAMPSON

Born August 22, 1869 Died

Married 1899

HARRY WILLIAM PETERS

Born 1864 Died

1 child

MADELINE ELIZABETH . . . . . born November 25, 1904

Address, 2523 Bell Place, Walnut Hill, Cincinnati, Ohio

2d—1st—2d

CHARLES CLIFFORD SAMPSON

Born March 23, 1889 Died

Married 1904

ELIZABETH EDGELY HAYNE

Born 1885 Died

1 child

RICHARD HAYNE . . . . . born May 28, 1910

Address, 1036 East 46th Street, Chicago, Ill.

2d—2d

CHARLES HOWARD SAMPSON

Born February, 1858 Died March 27, 1910

Married 1888

EMERGENE MOULTON CLARK

Born 1864 Died

No children

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Tenth—3d

MARIA LOUISA SAMPSON

Born April 15, 1825 Died April 15, 1913

Married

AMOS COBURN MERRILL

Born May 30, 1824 Died January 12, 1904

7 children

1. CHARLES PARKER . . . . . born June 8, 1849
   Died September 15, 1850
2. FREDERICK ANDREW . . . . . born September 7, 1851
   Died May 2, 1878
3. EDWARD EUGENE . . . . . born March 27, 1853
   Died May 2, 1878
4. WILLIAM HENRY . . . . . born March 23, 1855
5. CLIFFORD SAMPSON . . . . . born December 17, 1856
6. CLARA AUGUSTA . . . . . born October 13, 1860
7. AMOS COBURN, Jr. . . . . born December 22, 1865

3d—4th

WILLIAM HENRY MERRILL

Born March 23, 1855 Died

Married June 1881

CATHERINE CONNERTON

Born July 25, 1851 Died

3 children

1. LAWRENCE AMOS . . . . . born April 16, 1882
2. ADELINE . . . . . born December 25, 1884
3. GENEVIEVE . . . . . born November 16, 1887
   Died September 14, 1891

Address, 1720 Crystal Lake Avenue, Minneapolis, Minn.

4th—1st

LAWRENCE AMOS MERRILL

Born April 16, 1882 Died

Married April 29, 1909

MARGARET OSEWELL McADAMS

Born May 6, 1883 Died

1 child

LAWRENCE JOHN . . . . . born December 12, 1911

Address, Dundee Lake, Bergen County, N.J.

4th—2d

ADELINE MERRILL

Born December 25, 1884 Died

Married 1904

BERNARD CHRISTY

Born Died

2 children

1. GENEVIEVE . . . . . born August 26, 1905
2. RICHARD . . . . . born June 9, 1907

Address, 312 East Lake Street, Minneapolis, Minn.

3d—5th

CLIFFORD SAMPSON MERRILL

Born December 17, 1856 Died

Married 1882

GEORGIA TUCKER

Divorced

1 child

CLIFFORD SAMPSON, JR. . . . . born January, 1883

Address, 680 Ash Avenue, San Francisco, Cal.

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3d—6th

CLARA AUGUSTA MERRILL

Born October 13, 1860 Died

Married September 15, 1881

LOUIS FREDERICK FUNK

Born January 26, 1856 Died

1 child

BRYARD MERRILL . . . . . born April 17, 1884

Address, Box 166, Francitas, Tex.

6th—1st

BRYARD MERRILL FUNK

Born April 17, 1884 Died

Married June 6, 1907

ALMA ALSETH

Born March 24, 1888 Died

1 child

MARJORIE EMME . . . . . born October 4, 1909

10th—3d—7th

AMOS COBURN MERRILL, JR.

Born December 22, 1865 Died 1906

Married First

BERT THORNTON

Married Second

DORA ALBERT (divorced)

Married Third 1903

ROSE CROUNE WETTER

No children

Tenth—4th

VIRGINIA SAMPSON

Born July 15, 1827 — Died May 14, 1895

Married May 1, 1845

HENRY GURNSEY

Born April 8, 1823 — Died April 10, 1894

7 children

1. FLORA HENRIETTA . . . . . born March 3, 1847
2. EDWARD HENRY . . . . . born October 5, 1849
   Died August 24, 1888
3. JOSEPHINE ELIZABETH . . . . . born October 11, 1852
   Died May 7, 1879
4. WILLIAM FREDERICK . . . . . born November 14, 1855
5. ROLLA AUGUSTUS . . . . . born June 11, 1860
   Died April 27, 1861
6. GEORGE ALBERT . . . . . born November 16, 1863
   Died December 26, 1863
7. BERTHA CAROLINE . . . . . born March 16, 1867
   Died August 20, 1870

4th—1st

FLORA HENRIETTA GURNSEY

Born March 3, 1847 — Died September 2, 1892

Married

GEORGE W. WEMPLE

Born — Died

No children

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4th—4th

WILLIAM FREDERICK GURNSEY

Born November 14, 1855 Died

Married March 21, 1883

AGNES L. TURNER

Born February 9, 1864 Died

No children

Address, 502 West 13th Street, Vancouver, Wash.

Tenth—6th

JOSEPHINE SAMPSON

Born May 24, 1832 Died May 16, 1914

Married March 22, 1854

JEREMIAH THOMPSON

Born March 14, 1828 Died February 1, 1896

3 children

1. FRANK LEWIS . . . . . born January 13, 1855
2. HARRY STUART . . . . . born February 28, 1858
3. SUSANNAH VIRGINIA . . . . . born September 28, 1861

6th—1st

FRANK LEWIS THOMPSON

Born January 13, 1855 Died

Married November 9, 1887

IDA JOHNSON

Born February 22, 1858 Died

1 child

RUSSELL FRANK . . . . . born November 23, 1888

Address, 3335 Flouruoy Street, Chicago, Ill.

1st—1st

RUSSELL FRANK THOMPSON

Born November 23, 1888 Died

Married February 26, 1909

VIVIAN LOUISE WHITE

Born January 8, 1889 Died February 24, 1912

No children

Address, 3335 Flouruoy Street, Chicago, Ill.

6th—2d

HARRY STUART THOMPSON

Born February 28, 1858 Died

Married October 16, 1888

MARION LOUISE FAXON

Born April 30, 1860 Died

2 children

1. NATHALIE LOUISE . . . . . born August 5, 1889
   Not married
2. HARRY STUART, JR. . . . . born March 8, 1900

Address, 2235 Langford Street, St. Paul, Minn.

6th—3d

SUSANNAH VIRGINIA THOMPSON

Born September 28, 1861 Died

Married September 28, 1879

GEORGE NATHANIEL REEVES

Born May 3, 1853 Died

3 children

1. ROBERT LEE . . . . . born February 28, 1882
2. MELVILLE ALEXANDER . . . . born January 22, 1887
3. JOSEPHINE MARY . . . . . born July 5, 1896

Address, 3445 Elaine Place, Chicago, Ill.

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Tenth—7th

FREDONIC SAMPSON

Born 1836 Died 1880

Served during the Civil War as Cavalryman

Married 1868

ELIZA FARR

Born 1840 Died 1909

No children

"I live—know not how long;
I die and know not when;
I go I know not whither;
How comes it that I am so cheerful?"

"Our ingress in life is naked and bare;
Our progress through life is trouble and care;
Our egress from life is—no one knows where;
If we do good here, we will do well there.
I couldn't say more if I talked a whole y'ar."

"Cheer up!
What if the day is cold,
And you are feeling old
And blue,
And disgusted, too?
We all do.

Take a brace!
Look trouble in the face
And smile
Awhile;
Nothing is gained by looking
Glum!
Keep mum!
Put your woes upon the shelf,
Keep your troubles to yourself,
And cheer up!"

11

Eleventh

"You have deserved
High commendation, true applause, and love."

"Such a man
Might be a copy to these younger times."

Hannah Sprague

Born September 26, 1797 — Died April, 1871

Married

RALPH PARTRIDGE

Born 1784 — Died 1869

4 children

1. ALMEDA . . . . . born 1815
2. RALPH . . . . . born 1816
   Died at sea
3. WELTHEA LITTLE . . . . . born 1821
4. GEORGE LEROY . . . . . born 1829

Eleventh—1st

ALMEDA PARTRIDGE

Born 1815 — Died October 27, 1902

Married

WILLIAM ELLISON

Born 1811 — Died 1858

3 children

1. WILLIAM PELEG . . . . . born October 30, 1835
2. ELIZABETH HICKLING . . . . . born 1838
   Not married
3. LAURA BRAYANT . . . . . born 1840
   Not married

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1st—1st

WILLIAM PELEG ELLISON

Born October 30, 1835 — Died December 20, 1903

Was in the shipping business in Boston and served as Mayor of Newton

Married April 23, 1862

MARY ELIZABETH RICHARDSON

Born August 6, 1839 — Died

4 children

1. MARY ALMEDA . . . . . born March 21, 1864
2. EBEN HOWES . . . . . born March 20, 1867
3. WILLIAM . . . . . born January 7, 1873
4. CARLTON LINCOLN . . . . . born April 5, 1879

Address, Newton, Mass.

1st—1st—1st

MARY ALMEDA ELLISON

Born March 21, 1864 — Died

Married July 14, 1891

FRANK ASHLEY DAY

Born 1852 — Died January 15, 1914

2 children

1. FRANK ASHLEY, Jr. . . . . born September, 1894
2. ELLISON GODDARD . . . . . born March, 1896

Address, Newton, Mass.

1st—2d

EBEN HOWES ELLISON

Born March 20, 1867 Died

Married 1893

GRACE JONES

Born May 15, 1868 Died

3 children

1. EBEN HOWES, Jr. . . . . born September, 1894
2. HARRIET RICE . . . . . born October, 1899
3. WILLIAM PELEG . . . . . born January, 1904

Address, 42 Vernon Street, Newton, Mass.

1st—4th

CARLTON LINCOLN ELLISON

Born April 5, 1879 Died

Married 1908

FLORENCE HARDING

Born July 18, 1882 Died

No children

Address, 115 Sargent Street, Newton, Mass.

Eleventh—3d

WELTHEA LITTLE PARTRIDGE

Born 1821 Died

Married October, 1842

Capt. EBEN HOWES

Born 1806 Died 1882

1 child

FRANCES OSBORNE . . . . . born 1849
Died 1851

Address, The Nottingham, Boston, Mass.

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Eleventh—4th

GEORGE LEROY PARTRIDGE

Born 1829 Died

Married June 6, 1850

AUGUSTA C. COLBY

Born 1828 Died 1905

1 child

RALPH . . . . . born 1852

Address, 38 Cary Avenue, Chelsea, Mass.

4th—1st

RALPH PARTRIDGE

Born 1852 Died

Married June 17, 1882

MARY G. BABSON

Born September 10, 1858 Died

No children

Address, 38 Cary Avenue, Chelsea, Mass.

"'Man wants but little here below,
Nor wants that little long.'
'Tis not with me exactly so;
But 'tis so in the song.
My wants are many, and, if told,
Would muster many a score;
And were each wish a mint of gold,
I still should long for more."

"I count myself in nothing else so happy,
As in a soul remembering my good friends;
And, as my fortune ripens with my love,
It shall be still thy true love's recompense."

HEART VENTURES

"I stood and watched my ships go out
Each one by one, unmooring free,
What time the quiet harbor filled
With flood-tide from the sea.

The first that sailed, her name was Joy,
She spread a smooth, white ample sail,
And eastward drove with bending spars
Before the singing gale.

Another sailed, her name was Hope.
No cargo in her hold she bore,
Thinking to find in Western lands
Of merchandise a store.

The next that sailed, her name was Love.
She showed a red flag at the mast,—
A flag as red as blood she showed,
And she sped south right fast.

The last that sailed, her name was Faith;
Slowly she took her passage forth;
Tacked and lay to; at last she steered
A straight course for the north.

My gallant ships they sailed away
Over the shimmering summer sea;
I stood at watch for many a day,
But one came back to me.

For Joy was caught by Pirate Pain,
Hope ran upon a hidden reef,
And Love took fire and foundered fast
In whelming seas of grief.

Faith came at last, storm-bent and torn,
She recompensed me all my loss,
For as a cargo safe she brought
A crown linked to a cross."

THE FAMOUS OLD SHIP HOPE, BUILT IN DUXBURY BY E. WESTON & SONS AND OWNED BY THEM AND FIRST COMMANDED BY CAPT. JOSHUA DREW

12

Twelfth

"A tear for pity and a hand
Open as day for melting charity."

"Lay her gently down to rest,
Folded hands o'er tranquil breast.
Leave her thus and do not weep;
She is resting—let her sleep."

Judith Sprague

Born April 25, 1799 — Died November 25, 1845

Married September 17, 1820

HON. GERSHOM BRADFORD WESTON

Born August 27, 1799 — Died September 14, 1869

He was a member of the well-known firm of E. Weston & Sons, merchants, ship-builders and owners, of Duxbury and Boston, Mass., said to be the largest ship-owners in the United States

(See "The Clipper Ship Era" (page 15), by Arthur H. Clark.)

11 children

1. GERSHOM BRADFORD . . . . . born October 25, 1821
2. MARIA . . . . . born December 26, 1822
   Died May 30, 1823
3. JERUSHA . . . . . born March 15, 1824
   Died December 8, 1824
4. JOHN ALLYN . . . . . born November 3, 1825
5. GEORGE CANNING . . . . . born March 28, 1828
   Not married — Died January, 1856
6. WILLIAM BRADFORD . . . . . born June 20, 1830
7. EDGAR . . . . . born August 31, 1832
   Died October 31, 1851
   and buried at sea on passage home from Smyrna, where he had been for his health
8. JERUSHA BRADFORD . . . . . born December 19, 1834
9. ALFRED . . . . . born January 11, 1837
10. MARIA . . . . . born June 3, 1839
11. ALDEN BRADFORD . . . . . born November 25, 1844

Capt. GERSHOM BRADFORD WESTON

Born October 25, 1821 . . . . . died April 15, 1887

Well-known ship-master, who commanded some of the finest ships that sailed out of Boston

Married January 19, 1843

MARY BARNUM MOORE

Born March 30, 1824 Died February 18, 1906

8 children

1. JUDITH SPRAGUE . . . . . born September 25, 1843
2. GEORGE . . . . . born January 14, 1846
   Died March 30, 1848
3. CARO LENA . . . . . born August 6, 1849
4. MAY . . . . . born May 11, 1851
5. GRACE BRADFORD . . . . . born April 1, 1854
6. GEORGE CANNING . . . . . born July 2, 1856
7. HAROLD . . . . . born August 19, 1860
8. WILLIAM BRADFORD . . . . . born October 26, 1863
   Died October 16, 1880

"Whichever way the wind doth blow,
Some heart is glad to have it so;
So blow it east or blow it west,
The way it blows, that way is best."

"Many a year is in its grave
Since I crossed this restless wave,
And the evening, fair as ever,
Shines on ruin, rock and river."

"The old, old sea, as if in tears,
Comes murmuring with foamy lips,
And knocking at its vacant piers
Calls for its long-lost multitude of ships."

1st—1st

JUDITH SPRAGUE WESTON

Born September 25, 1843 Died

Married May 27, 1867

AMORY HOLMAN KENDALL

Born December 2, 1843 Died April 19, 1903

3 children

1. SAMUEL WALDRON . . . . . born September 2, 1868
   Died February 13, 1901
2. MARGARET SPRAGUE . . . . . born December 4, 1871
3. CATHERINE WESTON . . . . . born November 28, 1874
   Died December 6, 1879

Address, Waltham, Mass.

1st—1st—2d

MARGARET SPRAGUE KENDALL

Born December 4, 1871 Died

Married July 9, 1896

GEORGE HARRINGTON CARTER

Born January 4, 1873 Died September 22, 1913

No children

Address, 14 Lexington Terrace, Waltham, Mass.

EVENING

"I know the night is near at hand,
The mists lie low on hill and bay,
The autumn streams are dewless, dry;
But I have had the day.
Yes, I have had the day, dear Lord, the day,
When at thy call I have the night,
Brief be the night as I pass
From light to dark, and dark to light."

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1st—3d

CARO LENA WESTON

Born August 6, 1849 Died

Married October 23, 1873

WALTER SAMUEL VILES

Born October 27, 1846 Died

2 children

1. HOMER . . . . . born November 21, 1877
2. VIVIAN . . . . . born October 30, 1891

Address, Waltham, Mass.

1st—4th

MAY WESTON

Born May 11, 1851 Died

Married August 14, 1873

FREDERICK GALBRAITH LIVERMORE

Born September 21, 1849 Died January 11, 1906

2 children

1. LENA BRADFORD . . . . . born August 1, 1874

She married

ALFRED JOSEPH BROWN

No children

2. AGNES . . . . . born May 9, 1877

She married October 25, 1909

JOHN KARKLIN

No children

1st—5th

GRACE BRADFORD WESTON

Born April 1, 1854 Died

Married December 30, 1880

THEODORE WARBURTON BROWNELL

Born June 22, 1854 Died September 12, 1884

No children

1st—6th

GEORGE CANNING WESTON

Born July 2, 1856 Died

Married September 26, 1882

FLORA ISABEL DAGGETT

Born April 2, 1862 Died

1 child

CARL BRADFORD . . . . . born February 2, 1895

Address, Waltham, Mass.

1st—7th

HAROLD WESTON

Born August 19, 1860 Died

Married February 2, 1885

CORA BELLE HILTON

Born January 24, 1865 Died

4 children

1. CORINNE . . . . . born August 29, 1886
2. BRADFORD . . . . . born February 14, 1888
3. EZRA . . . . . born February 3, 1891
4. LOREN . . . . . born August 26, 1892

Address, Jacksonville, Fla.

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7th—1st

CORINNE WESTON

Born August 29, 1886 Died

Married April 21, 1908

LEYDEN HAYNES

Died

Divorced him March 28, 1913

1 child

WESTON . . . . . born January 8, 1909

Twelfth—4th

JOHN ALLYN WESTON

Born November 3, 1825 Died May 12, 1869

Harvard 1846

"After he became of age he dropped 'John' from his name legally and was known as ALLYN WESTON"

Married 1850

MARY PICKARD PAINE

Born March 13, 1830 Died September 2, 1853

1 child

ANNIE SPRAGUE . . . . . born June 21, 1851

Not married

Twelfth—6th

WILLIAM BRADFORD WESTON

Born June 20, 1830 Died

Well-known merchant in Boston and later manufacturer of school and music books

Married October 25, 1856

CHARLOTTE LOUISA FISKE

Born October 20, 1823 Died February 1, 1900

She was the daughter of Sarah Stetson Fiske, both born on Bow Street, Charlestown, near to where on the same street our first ancestor in this country, William Sprague, lived on his arrival in 1629, and was one of the first settlers in said town

No children

Address, 186 Randolph Avenue, Milton, Mass.

Twelfth—9th

LIEUT. ALFRED WESTON

Born January 11, 1837 Died

He served in the Navy throughout the Rebellion

Married September 19, 1864

LAURA LOUISE ELDRIDGE

Born February 7, 1840 Died 1885

No children

Twelfth—11th

ALDEN BRADFORD WESTON

Born November 25, 1844 Died

Served in the Army as a private throughout the Rebellion

Married January 23, 1867

HELEN PARKER BAKER

Born July 1, 1843 Died

No children

"This is a very good world to live in,
To lend or give in;
But to borrow or receive or get one's own,
It is the damnedest world ever known."

"In common worldly things, 'tis called ungrateful
With dull unwillingness to repay a debt
Which with a bounteous hand was kindly lent;
Much more to be thus opposite with Heaven,
For it requires the royal debt it lent you."

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Thirteenth

"The wind greets the pine-trees, but passes them by
To croon o'er a cradle, 'Dear child, I am nigh,
The shadows grow deeper, but vigil I keep,
And whisper a lullaby, little one, sleep!'"

Nancy Sprague

Born April 23, 1801 — Died October 13, 1847

Married October 6, 1819

SAMUEL LORING

Born July 17, 1798 — Died January 14, 1847

10 children

1. SAMUEL, JR. . . . . born October 6, 1820
2. HARRISON . . . . . born October 25, 1822
3. SETH . . . . . born August 23, 1824
   Adopted by his uncle Seth Sprague
   (See SETH SPRAGUE—Sixth)
4. JULIA NORRIS . . . . . born August 6, 1826
5. ANNA M. . . . . born November 25, 1828
   Died November 26, 1846
6. MARTHA . . . . . born November 23, 1831
7. EMILY . . . . . born January 27, 1834
   Died November 30, 1846
8. PRUDENCE C. . . . . born May 20, 1837
   Died January 31, 1839
9. CHARLES CARROLL . . . . . born January 2, 1840
10. ABBOTT . . . . . born February 15, 1844
    Not married — Died September, 1903

Thirteenth—1st

SAMUEL LORING, Jr.

Born October 6, 1820 Died May 28, 1887

Married

LAURA ANNA B. LORING

Born February 19, 1815 Died July 20, 1893

1 child

NANCY SPRAGUE . . . . . born May 27, 1848

1st—1st

NANCY SPRAGUE LORING

Born May 27, 1848 Died

Married May 27, 1869

JOHN HENRY PARKS

Born 1849 Died

5 children

1. LAURA LORING . . . . . born May 27, 1870
2. SAMUEL LORING . . . . . born April 25, 1872
3. AUDREY LORING . . . . . died in infancy
4. JOHN WARD . . . . . born December 2, 1879
5. BETTINA LORING . . . . . born December 27, 1884
   Died May 16, 1908

1st—1st—1st

LAURA LORING PARKS

Born May 27, 1870 Died

Married September 19, 1894

THOMAS RUSSELL

Born June 17, 1858 Died

Lawyer in Boston

2 children

1. BARBARA . . . . . born August 23, 1898
2. WILLIAM GOODWIN . . . . . born May 19, 1904

Address, 3 Gloucester Street, Boston, Mass.

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1st—1st—2d

SAMUEL LORING PARKS

Born April 25, 1872 Died

Married First

ANNA RYALL

Born Died

Married Second October, 1912
in the Philippines

EDITH GEORGIANA BLACK

from Kentucky

No children

1st—1st—3d

JOHN WARD PARKS

Born December 2, 1879 Died

Married October 6, 1904

BEATRICE AUGUSTA HILL

Born August 13, 1880 Died

4 children

1. ROBERT . . . . . born August 21, 1906
2. BETTY . . . . . born October 21, 1908
3. BEATRICE . . . . . born January 29, 1911
4. MARGUERITE . . . . . born December 2, 1912

Address, 25 Southbourne Road, Jamaica Plain, Mass.

HARRISON LORING

Born October 25, 1822 Died December 26, 1907

He was a famous Master Machinist and noted steel Ship-builder, with his yard in South Boston, where he built steel ships for the United States Navy during the Rebellion of the Southern States

Married First 1847

ELIZABETH H. TOBEY

Born Died 1848

No children

Married Second May 8, 1867

MARGARET GARDNER

Born November 25, 1838 Died

6 children

1. HARRISON, Jr. . . . . born May 16, 1868
2. ATHERTON . . . . . born August 10, 1869
3. EMILY GARDNER . . . . . born October 25, 1870
4. ROBERT . . . . . born March 19, 1872
5. SAMUEL . . . . . born November 28, 1873
   Died April, 1876
6. MARGARET . . . . . born May 1, 1880
   Died April 20, 1883

Address, 2 Cleveland Street, Roxbury, Mass.

2d—1st

HARRISON LORING, Jr.

Born May 16, 1868 Died

Married October 20, 1892

CLARA STANWOOD PLIMPTON

Born January 24, 1871 Died

2 children

1. EVELYN . . . . . born October 29, 1893
2. THEODORE PLIMPTON . . . . . born November 1, 1894

Address, 174 Bellevue Street, West Roxbury, Mass.

2d—2d

ATHERTON LORING

Born August 10, 1869 Died

Married May 1, 1893

ANNA GERTRUDE SAWYER

Born August 8, 1870 Died

3 children

1. ATHERTON, Jr. . . . . born November 6, 1900
2. SARAH . . . . . born August 27, 1902
   Died December 17, 1903
3. ANNA . . . . . born May 13, 1906

Address, 1053 Beacon Street, Brookline, Mass.

2d—3d

EMILY GARDNER LORING

Born October 25, 1870 Died September 6, 1910

Married May 1, 1893

HERBERT CLARENCE WIRT

Born September 22, 1866 Died

4 children

1. HARRISON LORING . . . . . born October 26, 1895
2. SIDNEY HEDGES . . . . . born January 13, 1897
3. MARGARET LORING . . . . . born May 26, 1898
4. HERBERT CLARENCE, JR. . . . . born November 13, 1903

Address, 138 West 81st Street, New York, N.Y.

2d—4th

ROBERT LORING

Born March 19, 1872 Died

Married

ANNA MACKAY

Born December 25, 1880 Died

No children

Address, London, England

Thirteenth—4th

JULIA NORRIS LORING

Born August 6, 1826 Died April 11, 1854

Married April 8, 1847

NATHAN BREWSTER

Born October 18, 1823 Died September 24, 1875

4 children

1. ANN MARIA . . . . . born April 7, 1848
   Died April 4, 1851
2. EMILY LORING . . . . . born June 30, 1850
3. SAMUEL SEABURY . . . . . born May 27, 1852
   Died May 8, 1853
4. JULIA NORRIS . . . . . born April 2, 1854
   Died January 2, 1867

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4th—2d

EMILY LORING BREWSTER

Born June 30, 1850 — Died December, 1887

Married

CAPT. ALBERT NEWELL

Born — Died

2 children

1. HARRISON LORING . . . . . born February, 1886
2. BERT WHIPPLE . . . . . born December 4, 1887

Emily Loring Brewster was nearly four years old when her mother died, on the 11th of April, 1854, and was taken by her uncle Harrison Loring, who cared for her until she grew up and developed into a fine handsome young woman. She married Capt. Albert Newell, of East Boston, and they had a son, Harrison Loring Newell. Later she accompanied her husband on a voyage to the East Indies, and was taken ill at Chittagong, a province of British India, delivered of a child, Bert Whipple Newell, and died and was buried there. The child lived, and on its arrival home was taken with the brother by their uncle Harrison Loring, and cared for until they were about six and eight years old, when their father took them and went over to Scotland, and married a second time

Thirteenth—6th

MARTHA LORING

Born November 23, 1831 Died June 1, 1861

Married 1858

SYLVESTER ELDRIDGE

Born 1832 Died 1899

1 child

HARRISON LORING . . . . . born July 22, 1860

6th—1st

HARRISON LORING ELDRIDGE

Born July 22, 1860 Died

Married April 2, 1882

HARRIET CHASE

Born April 2, 1862 Died

2 children

1. ANITA EVELYN . . . . . born March 23, 1883
2. PHILIP LORING . . . . . born February 17, 1889

Address, 324 Frederick Street, San Francisco, Cal.

6th—1st—2d

PHILIP LORING ELDRIDGE

Born February 17, 1889 Died

Married May 30, 1914

OLIVE COPP

Born December 8, 1891 Died

Address, 324 Frederick Street, San Francisco, Cal.

Thirteenth—9th

CHARLES CARROLL LORING

Born January 2, 1840 Died

Married October 14, 1863

SELINA WADSWORTH SAMPSON

Born June 11, 1842 Died

2 children

1. EDITH . . . . . born January 5, 1866
   Not married
2. CHARLES SPRAGUE . . . . . born March 15, 1873
   Not married

Address, 50 River Place, Dedham, Mass.

Fourteenth

"Think truly, and thy thoughts
Shall the world's famine feed:
Speak truly, and each word of thine
Shall be a fruitful seed:
Live truly, and thy life shall be
A great and noble creed."

Lucy Sprague

Born August 2, 1803 — Died November 9, 1841

Married September 14, 1826

REV. ROBERT WOODWARD CUSHMAN

Born April 10, 1800 — Died April 7, 1868

5 children

1. AUSTIN SPRAGUE . . . . . born September 9, 1827
2. CHARLES MELVILLE . . . . . born December 1, 1829
3. EMILY SPRAGUE . . . . . born June 23, 1832
4. CLARA WOODWARD . . . . . born December 17, 1834
   Not married
5. WALTER STEVENS . . . . . born December 16, 1837

HE GIVETH HIS BELOVED SLEEP

"'He giveth His beloved sleep'—
O wondrous sweet and restful boon!
For since the weary, sultry noon,
We've trod the pathway sharp and steep;
What greater could He give than sleep?

'He giveth His beloved sleep'—
The very promise brings a peace
In which the stings of thorns now cease,
And soft rest comes as shadows creep,
To bring forgetfulness in sleep.

Oh, what are we that this sweet sleep
He gives to His beloved should rest
On us, unworthy to be blest?
O love so great, in mercy deep
He folds round us this robe of sleep.

Except the Lord the city keep,
The watchman wakes in vain from sleep.
Then trust, and rest, O eyes that weep,
As evening winds the grasses sweep,
So 'He giveth His beloved sleep.'

Sweet roses soothe the warrior's sleep;
Yet as he drinks the dew in death
There comes a peace on wings of breath
Far sweeter than the white rose heap,—
'He giveth His beloved sleep.'"

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Fourteenth—1st

MAJOR AUSTIN SPRAGUE CUSHMAN

Born September 9, 1827 Died January 29, 1907

Served faithfully in the Union Army during the Civil War

Married First November 17, 1861

CAROLINE LUTHER HATHAWAY

Born July 4, 1837 Died May 16, 1873

3 children

1. CARRIE SPRAGUE . . . . . born June 24, 1863
2. GERTRUDE . . . . . born October 9, 1867
3. LUCIA ROBERTA . . . . . born April 27, 1873
   Died August 17, 1873

Married Second January 3, 1877

MARY BLAKEWAY

1st—1st

CAROLINE SPRAGUE CUSHMAN

Born June 24, 1863 Died

Married October 16, 1890

CHARLES EMMONS CHAPIN

Born March 3, 1862 Died

1 child

ROBERT CUSHMAN . . . . . born October 31, 1892

GERTRUDE CUSHMAN

Born October 9, 1867 Died December 17, 1909

Married June 30, 1894

ROBERT LAIRD SCOLES

Born October 10, 1863 Died

2 children

1. DONALD . . . . . born March 10, 1895
2. GERTRUDE EMILY . . . . . born February 12, 1900

Address, 6957 Sheridan Road, Rogers Park, Ill.

Fourteenth—2d

CHARLES MELVILLE CUSHMAN

Born December 1, 1829 Died

Married November 18, 1856

JULIA J. DREW

"Widow Brewer"

Born 1833 Died

No children

Fourteenth—3d

EMILY SPRAGUE CUSHMAN

Born June 23, 1832 Died May 2, 1902

Married December 4, 1856

CHARLES H. MANN

Born August, 1832 Died February 18, 1891

No children

WALTER STEVENS CUSHMAN

Born December 16, 1837 Died July 20, 1898

Assistant Paymaster United States Navy, September 27, 1862, to May 12, 1864

Married December 16, 1884

CATHERINE CAMERON

Born March 28, 1856 Died

1 child

REBECCA WADDELL . . . . . born December 2, 1886

Address, Hillsboro, N.C.

THE SHIP THAT NEVER RETURNED

"On a summer day when the waves were rippled
By the softest, gentlest breeze,
Did a ship set sail with a cargo laden
For a port beyond the seas.
There were sweet farewells,
There were loving signals,
While a form was yet discerned,
For they knew it not, 'twas a solemn parting,
For the ship, she never returned.

Chorus

Did she ever return?
No, she never returned,
Her fate is yet unlearned,
Though for years and years
There were fond ones watching
For the ship that never returned.

Said a feeble lad to his anxious mother:
'I must cross the wide, wide sea,
For they say, perchance, in a foreign climate,
There is health and strength for me.'
'Twas a gleam of hope in a maze of danger—
Her poor heart for her youngest yearned,
Yet she sent him forth with a smile and blessing
On the ship that never returned.

'Only one more trip,' said a gallant seaman,
As he kissed his weeping wife;
'Only one more bag of this golden treasure,
And 'twill last us all through life.
Then I'll spend my days in my cosey cottage
And enjoy the rest I've earned.'
But, alas, poor man! for he sailed commander
Of the ship that never returned."

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Fifteenth

"None knew her but to love her;
None named her but to praise."

Sarah Sprague

Born September 20, 1805 — Died November 15, 1893

Married February 1, 1828

WILLIAM HENRY SAMPSON

Born August 20, 1802 — Died July 4, 1882

6 children

1. OSCAR HALLET . . . . . born February 9, 1829
2. EUGENE HENRY . . . . . born December 19, 1832
3. LEONICE MARSTON . . . . . born March 29, 1837
4. WILLIAM HENRY . . . . . born 1839
   Died 1841
5. LUCY SPRAGUE . . . . . born August 4, 1841
   Not married
6. SARAH SPRAGUE . . . . . born June 29, 1845

Fifteenth—1st

OSCAR HALLET SAMPSON

Born February 9, 1829 — Died November 15, 1904

Married September 4, 1851

ELLEN CONSTANCE SAMPSON

Born July 4, 1829 — Died

3 children

1. CHARLES EDWARD . . . . . born August 16, 1855
   Not married
2. PERCIVAL HALLET . . . . . born March 18, 1862
   Died January 6, 1879
3. GERTRUDE . . . . . born March 22, 1866
   Not married

Fifteenth—2d

EUGENE HENRY SAMPSON

Born December 19, 1832 Died August 19, 1901

Married October 22, 1857

MARTHA GILBERT

Born November 18, 1834 Died November 16, 1898

5 children

1. CAROLINE SPRAGUE . . . . . born June 12, 1859
   Died February 8, 1860
2. ELLEN CONSTANCE . . . . . born October 23, 1860
3. MABEL GILBERT . . . . . born April 2, 1864
   Died January 2, 1865
4. EUGENIA . . . . . born July 21, 1866
   Not married
5. EDITH GILBERT . . . . . born June 10, 1870
   Not married

2d—2d

ELLEN CONSTANCE SAMPSON

Born October 23, 1860 Died

Married November 2, 1893

ARTHUR H. NEWELL

Born December 29, 1857 Died January 8, 1908

No children

Fifteenth—3d

LEONICE MARSTON SAMPSON

Born March 29, 1837 Died

Married November 12, 1857

SAMUEL HENRY MORSE

Born January 8, 1834 Died March 19, 1887

3 children

1. FREDERICK SPRAGUE . . . . . born April 28, 1859
2. CAROLINE . . . . . born May, 1864
   Died August, 1864
3. LEONICE SAMPSON . . . . . born July 7, 1876
   Not married

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3d—1st

FREDERICK SPRAGUE MORSE

Born April 28, 1859 Died

Married 1901

ANGELINE EDITH McARTER

Born Died September 3, 1911

No children

Address, Japan

Fifteenth—6th

SARAH SPRAGUE SAMPSON

Born June 29, 1845 Died

Married October 20, 1869

SAMUEL JENNINGS HOWES

Born September 12, 1845 Died October 20, 1874

1 child

FLORENCE . . . . . born 1873

Died December 25, 1874

MY FIRELIGHT PICTURE

"Alone in the firelight I'm dreaming,
And the pictured face that I see
Is that of a guardian angel
Who smiles on me tenderly.
When the golden leaves of the autumn
Were fast falling one by one,
You slipped through the gates of the sunset
To rest and peace and home."

SUCCESS

"HE HAS ACHIEVED SUCCESS WHO HAS LIVED WELL, LAUGHED OFTEN, AND LOVED MUCH: WHO HAS GAINED THE RESPECT OF INTELLIGENT MEN AND THE LOVE OF LITTLE CHILDREN: WHO HAS FILLED HIS NICHE AND ACCOMPLISHED HIS TASK: WHO HAS LEFT THE WORLD BETTER THAN HE FOUND IT, WHETHER BY AN IMPROVED POPPY, A PERFECT POEM, OR A RESCUED SOUL: WHO HAS NEVER LACKED APPRECIATION OF EARTH'S BEAUTY, OR FAILED TO EXPRESS IT: WHO HAS ALWAYS LOOKED FOR THE BEST IN OTHERS AND GIVEN THE BEST HE HAD: WHOSE LIFE WAS AN INSPIRATION: WHOSE MEMORY A BENEDICTION."

Epilogue

After one year and eight months of pleasant, agreeable, and interesting correspondence with many different families scattered throughout the United States and other parts of the world, and search in several graveyards and cemeteries as well as in various Town Records, I have completed this little book and made it as perfect as possible from the data received. There are many dates of births, marriages, and deaths missing, left for each family to fill in for themselves.

I would recommend and advise that each family of generation after generation growing up should keep correct records of dates and information relating to itself, that in the future some one of them may continue this record of the Sprague Families from time to time, as generations come and go, marching, marching, marching on, their tramping be heard throughout the corridors of all future time, as a numerous army of Sprague Descendants, ever increasing.

"Do your best for one another,
Making life a pleasant dream.
Help a worn and weary brother
Pulling hard against the stream."

MY TASK IS FINISHED

AND

I WILL BID YOU GOOD–BY

AND

SAY FAREWELL TO ONE AND ALL
FOR TIME EVERLASTING

I WRITE FOR THE LAST TIME

Completed

AND LAY DOWN MY PEN

FAREWELL

"Farewell! Farewell! The billows break
On distant deeps and shores descending.
Farewell! Farewell! From life awake
And know that friendship hath no ending!

Within those radiant realms of sleep—
That sleep whose portals thou dost sunder—
Dreamless, unwearied, thou shalt keep
Guard o'er our souls that watch and wonder.

Farewell! Farewell! The night is dark,
And low the distant bells are tolling.
Farewell! Farewell! Far speeds thy bark,
Nor harbors where the waves are rolling.

Safe in the port, the sail drops low,—
The mariner of tides heeds never,—
But from the prow a light shall flow
To guide our storm-tossed craft forever."

THE END

Amen

"THE WEB OF OUR LIFE IS OF A MINGLED YARN, GOOD AND ILL TOGETHER."

"THE END CROWNS ALL,
AND THAT OLD COMMON ARBITRATOR, TIME,
WILL ONE DAY END IT."

Appendix

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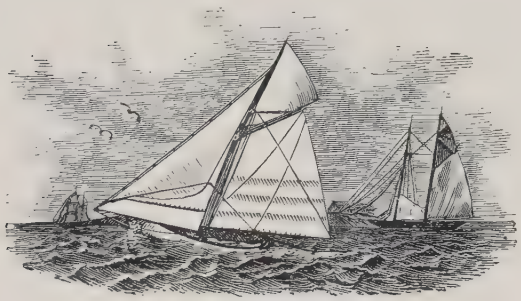
BEAUTIFUL DUXBURY

BY LUCY PORTER HIGGINS



I.

"Beautiful Duxbury! Dream of the sea!
Who that has loved thee but turns back to thee!
Who that has loved thee but calleth thee fair,—
With sighs for a breath of thy pure morning air;

II.

For the blue of thy skies, and the blue of thy wave,
Where the white sails glide, and the sea-birds lave;
For the fragrant Pine, over hill and afar;
For the long cool drives where the green woods are!

III.

In many a grave 'neath the quiet shade
Is the dear dead dust of our fathers laid:
There the children come and the birds sing free;
There we fain would rest when the end shall be.

IV.

Beautiful Duxbury: down through the years
Float voices and visions, seen often through tears,—
Of the Pilgrim's home, and his tireless hand,
And the changeless faith of the Pilgrim Band.

V.

Their homes were thy hills! Their graves are thy trust!
And his spirit still thrills in thy veins—as it must;
Thy rose-curtained mornings, thy sunsets' red gold,
E'en the mists of thy valleys, his presence enfold.

VI.

And his message is there—it is writ on the sky:
'For Freedom I came, and for Freedom I die!
For that crossed the ocean, the wilderness trod;
And my gift to the race is the Freedom of God!'

VII.

Beautiful Duxbury: oft in my dreams
I stand on thy shores in the moonlight gleams—
And I see thee asleep in the hush of night,
While the stars go by in the holy light.

VIII.

Beautiful Duxbury: sometime I shall lie
With thy peaceful dead, while the stars go by;
I shall lie near dear hands that grew cold in my clasp,
And my heart be at rest in Death's long, strong grasp.

IX.

And the years will flee, as the years have flown;
And the birds will sing in the same sweet tone;
And the murmuring Pine, and the murmuring sea,
Beautiful Duxbury, still sing of thee."

3

"Up! up! in nobler toil than ours
No craftsmen bear a part:
We make of nature's giant powers
The slaves of human art.
Lay rib to rib, and beam to beam,
And drive the treenails free;
Nor faithless joint, nor yawning seam,
Shall tempt the searching sea."

—*Whittier.*

"'Build me straight, O worthy master,
Staunch and strong, a goodly vessel,
That shall laugh at all disaster,
And with wave and whirlwind wrestle.'

Day by day the vessel grew,
With timbers fashioned strong and true,
Stemson and keelson and sternson-knee,
Till, framed with perfect symmetry.

All is finished! and at length
Has come the bridal day
Of beauty and of strength,
To-day the vessel shall be launched."

—*Longfellow.*

4

MY SHIP

"My ship has sailed on many seas,
Since she was launched in shadow-land;
In raging storm or gentle breeze
Her helm has answered my command.

In tropic climes, by flowered shores,
She went with spotless sails unfurled;
Past youth's Bahamas and Azores,
The jib was shot to gird the world.

Far to the North, in many a port,
In search of gold—on pleasure bent;
Puffed up with pride or drunk with sport,
Round all the world she swiftly went.

At last the frozen zone, the dark,
That frighten seekers of the pole;
Ice, floes, and wind, the gaunt wolf's bark,
The doubt and questioning of the soul!

Then rescue, help from stranger's hands,
When hope was faint and love was dead;
Back by the quays of foreign lands,
To home and friends my good ship sped.

Here, in this haven, free from care,
A few brief moons she'll take her rest;
Till one day in the sunset's glare
My ship will vanish to the West."

BALLADE OF A SAILOR

"He sails the inscrutable seas,
His joy is the glad vessel's flight;
He's a slave to the skipper's decrees,
He's a rollicking, rolling wight;
His wisdom, it may be, is slight,
His love is the salt wave's swirl;
But whatever his age or his plight—
He's fond of his grog and his girl.

He hails the propitious, quick breeze,
If it comes in the day or the night;
He's forced to relinquish his ease,
He's compelled to renounce his delight;
When the rigging is frozen and tight,
He's ordered to make and to furl;
But though he's obedient quite—
He's fond of his grog and his girl.

If in peril, mayhap on his knees
He prays with the all of his might;
And what if his penitence flees
The moment the good ship is right?
Yet danger he oft may invite,
Or an oath at its imminence hurl:
But here I would chiefly recite—
He's fond of his grog and his girl.

Envoy

His manner is bluff, and his spite
Is as brief as his pipe-smoke's curl:
But again I am urged to indite—
He's fond of his grog and his girl."

5

"There is a pleasure in the pathless woods,
There is a rapture on the lonely shore,
There is society, where none intrudes,
By the deep Sea, and music in its roar:
I love not Man the less, but Nature more,
From these our interviews, in which I steal
From all I may be, or have been before,
To mingle with the Universe, and feel
What I can ne'er express, yet cannot all conceal.

Roll on, thou deep and dark blue Ocean—roll!
Ten thousand fleets sweep over thee in vain;
Man marks the earth with ruin—his control
Stops with the shore; upon the watery plain
The wrecks are all thy deed, nor doth remain
A shadow of man's ravage, save his own,
When for a moment, like a drop of rain,
He sinks into thy depths with bubbling groan,
Without a grave, unknell'd, uncoffin'd, and unknown."

"To your judgments give not the reins
With too much eagerness, like him who ere
The corn be ripe is fain to count the grains:
For I have seen the briar through the winter snows
Look sharp and stiff—yet on a future day
High on its summit bear the tender rose:
And ship I've seen, that through the storm hath passed,
Securely bounding o'er the watery way,
At entrance of the harbor wrecked at last."

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MOTHER EARTH

"Onward in unresting round,
Yielding to the Sun-god's might,
Knowing neither goal nor bound,
Day by day and night by night,

Mother Earth her law fulfils,
Circling through the vast inane,
Bearing human joys and ills,
Life and death and boon and bane.

We, the human mites that creep,
Crowd and jostle, climb and fall,
Born of earth, in earth to sleep,—
What are we to face the *All?*

Yet we know our mother's ways,
Know her moods benign or cold,
And that she her Lord obeys,
As she did obey of old.

Long ere she our race could bear,
When but monstrous births she knew,
And that onward she must fare,
Yielding still obedience true,

When our race hath swarmed and passed,
When she can no more bring forth,
Rolling blindly 'mid the vast,
Withered, lifeless, nothing worth,

Till at length—so say the seers—
Ever drawn to the Master's breast,
Marking ever briefer years,
She hath sunk to perfect rest."

THE EARTH AND MAN.

"A little sun, a little rain,
A soft wind blowing from the west—
And woods and fields are sweet again,
And warmth within the mountain's breast.

So simple is the earth we tread,
So quick with love and life her frame,
Ten thousand years have dawned and fled
And still her magic is the same.

A little love, a little trust,
A soft impulse, a sudden dream,
And life as dry as desert dust
Is fresher than a mountain stream.

So simple is the heart of man,
So ready for new hope and joy,
Ten thousand years since it began
Have left it younger than a boy."

"The watery grave now opens all
Dreadful from below,
When waves move the sea and
Stormy winds do blow;
But when the danger's over
And safe we come on shore,
The horrors of the tempest
We think of no more."

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A TRUE BOSTONIAN

"A soul from earth to heaven went,
To whom the saint, as he drew near,
Said, 'Sir, what claim do you present
To us, to be admitted here?'

'In Boston I was born and bred,
And in her schools was educated;
I afterwards at Harvard read,
And was with honors graduated.

'In Trinity a pew I own,
Where Brooks is held in such respect,
And its society is known
To be the cream of the select.

'In fair Nahant, a charming spot,
I own a villa, lawn, arcades,
And, last of all, a burial lot
In dear Mount Auburn's hallowed shades.'

Saint Peter mused, and shook his head,
Then, as a gentle sigh he drew,
'Go back to Boston, friend,' he said,
'Heaven is not good enough for you.'"

SONG

"The boat is tied;
My treasure's home;
No need have I to sail the sea;
No more need roam
'Gainst storm, nor ride
On waves that beat incessantly.

Now, at the end,
What has it brought?
Not wealth, but things of greater worth:
Love and a friend,
For these I sought
And found them all about the earth.

God speed the wind
Who sets his sail
Nor waits for sun or sparkling star!
Oh, may he find
His holy grail
Though storm should bear his boat afar!"

"America is a glorious nation,
In this world there's none like she,
For they are the boys who planted a tree,
That planted a tree called Liberty.
Long may live this free-born nation,
Long may live the rights of man,
For we've a right to the Constitution
Erected by George Washington."

FOR FREEDOM'S BIRTHDAY

"Dearer and yet more dear
As we learn her untold worth
Grows Freedom year by year
When we celebrate her birth,
And her home doth a nobler land appear
To the nations of the earth.

Over the land and the sea
Her starry banner flies,
Its field of blue in purity
Matching our northern skies,
And it guards in the holiest memory
The grave where the patriot lies.

Heaven grant that its grace be laid
On our splendid heritage,
That what was our portion made
We may give a yet happier age,
And that blazoned glory never may fade
From History's fairest page."

"I do love
My country's good with a respect more tender,
More holy and profound, than my own life."

"Under the wide and starry sky
Dig the grave and let me lie.
Glad did I live, and gladly die,
And I laid me down with a will.

This be the verse you grave for me:
'Here he lies, where he longed to be;
Home is the sailor, home from the sea,
And the hunter home from the hill.'"

"As life runs on, the road grows strange
With faces new, and near the end
The milestones into gravestones change,
'Neath every one a friend."

"In every land
It's all the same—
The spade at last
Trumps every game."

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SO WE GROW OLD

"A broken toy; a task that held away
A yearning child-heart from an hour of play;
A Christmas that no Christmas idols brought;
A tangled lesson, full of tangled thought;
A homesick boy; a Senior gowned and wise;
A glimpse of life, when, lo! the curtains rise
Fold over fold,
And hangs the picture, like a boundless sea—
The world, all action and reality—
So we grow old.

A wedding, and a tender wife's caress;
A prattling babe the parents' life to bless;
A home of joys and cares in equal part;
A dreary watching with a heavy heart:
And death's dread angel knocking at the gate,
And hope and courage bidding sorrow wait
Or loose her hold;
A new-made grave, and then a brave return
To where the fires of life triumphant burn—
So we grow old,
Old to ourselves, but children yet to be,
In the strange cities of eternity."

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GROWING OLD GRACEFULLY

"Softly, oh, softly, the years have swept by thee,
Touching thee lightly with tenderest care;
Sorrow and death they have brought nigh thee,
Yet they have left thee but beauty to wear.
Growing old gracefully,
Gracefully fair.

Far from the storms that are lashing the ocean,
Nearer each day to the pleasant home light;
Far from the waves that are big with commotion,
Under full sail and the harbor in sight.
Growing old gracefully,
Cheerful and bright.

Past all the winds that were adverse and chilling,
Past all the islands that lured thee to rest,
Past all the currents that lured thee unwilling,
Far from thy course to the land of the blest.
Growing old peacefully,
Peaceful and blest."

"But ah, how we sigh
While hoping for the best,
As years roll by
The heart will find its rest;
But hope soon dies
And sorrow holds her sway,
For many that we learn to prize
Soon pass away.

Refrain.

But just as of old
The moments come and go,
The spring with its flowers,
And the winter with its snow,
The hours pass away,
The seasons warm and cold,
And time rolls along to-day
Just as of old."

"*Tempus fugit!*
So make the most of it.
While you are alive, gather roses;
For, when you are dead,
You're dead a damned long time."

"Use almost can change the stamp of nature,
And either curb the devil or throw him out
With wondrous potency."

"I shall pass through this world but once. Any good thing, therefore, that I can do, or any kindness that I can show to any human being, let me do it now. Let me not defer it or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again."

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THE PALE BOATMAN

"In that cold and ancient wherry,
By that thronged though fearful ferry,

O'er that bold and boisterous river,
See that boatman, bending ever.

He has toiled for every nation
Since the birthday of creation.

When old Eve, our primal mother,
Wiped the death damp from Cain's brother,

Then that boatman took that wherry
And first crossed that fearful ferry;

Looked he stern and pale beside it,
At that first time that he tried it.

Mortals! You and I must go in
That same boat which he is rowing."

"Come softly, years, though you come swift,
That thinking not of you life's way I go,
Glad for the sun, the rain, love's precious gift—
Then, sudden, find the hills are white with snow!

And if there be no meeting past the grave,
If all is darkness, silence, yet 'tis rest;
Be not afraid, ye waiting hearts that weep,
For God still giveth his belovèd sleep,
And if an endless sleep he wills—so best."

"Like as a plank of driftwood, tossed on the watery main,
Another plank encounters, meets, touches, parts again,
So tossed and drifting ever, on life's unrestful sea,
Men meet and greet and sever, parting eternally."

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IN

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OF

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BY

Hon. Seth Sprague

"Jotted down by him
when past his 84th year"
1845

Preface

"In reading the few interesting pages of Hon. Seth Sprague's diary, one must bear in mind the very meagre opportunities for schooling boys had in his day and at the time of his father's death, when he was only a child of fifteen, he was obliged to devote himself to the whole care of the farm to support his mother and grandmother. He was sixteen years old on the day of the Declaration of Independence, and at nineteen years of age married Deborah Sampson in 1779. He was a highly honored citizen of Duxbury. For forty years Justice of the Peace. For twenty-seven years in succession a member of the Massachusetts Legislature, both in the House and Senate. Several times chosen one of the Counsellers to the Governor of Massachusetts, but always declined the honor. Appointed by the President of the United States principal assessor for the Thirteenth District of Massachusetts. Twice honored by being chosen a member of the Electoral College, which determine the choice of the President and the Vice President of the United States. He was active in all the important movements for the improvements of his native town. In his day the spelling was different from the spelling of today."

(See Sprague Memorial by Richard Soule, Jr., 1847.)

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REMINISCENCES OF HON. SETH SPRAGUE

"I, Seth Sprague, being old and infirm and lonely, for the double purpose of amusing myself and informing my children of the fashions of olden times and of some few things that took place in this town and county and at the beginning of the American Revolution, I now sit myself down to write some of them. There were many things that took place at that time too minute and trivial to be recorded in general history, that may be somewhat interesting to those who did not live at that day.

The town of Duxbury was truly a Whig town. There were but two Torys in it. One was Gamaliel Bradford, father of the late Col. Gamaliel Bradford, the other was Briggs Alden, father of the late Maj. Judah Alden.

Immediately after the Lexington battles they both made their recantation in writing at the Town Meeting and asked forgiveness. Copies of their letters are now on the town records.

Marshfield was a Tory town, perhaps the most so of any in this state. In the year 1773 and 4, a majority of the people of that town were Torys, there was at that time a great degree of enmity between the *Wigs* of Duxbury and the Torys of Marshfield. The Torys applied and obtained from Gen. Gage a company of soldiers. They were stationed at the house of Ray Thomas, now owned by Daniel Webster.

This company of soldiers were at Marshfield about four months chiefly in the winter of 1775.

They often traveled about the town of Duxbury much to the terror of the women. Immediately on the news of the battle at Lexington, two regiments of what was then called Minutemen marched towards Marshfield in order to take this single company of British soldiers. Had they marched directly to their quarters, they might have been taken prisoners without a drop of blood being shed, as their captain afterwards was heard to say that he should not thought of making any resistance to so formidable a force.

But the American soldiers instead of marching directly to the quarters of the enemy, one regiment quartered one night in Duxbury and the other in Marshfield, two miles from the enemy.

This delay gave an opportunity for the British soldiers to embark on board a vessel that was sent from Boston to receive them. The Torys of Marshfield who had taken an open and active part in favor of the oppressive acts of the British Government went off to the British at Boston, others that had been less active remained at home, but the Whigs of Duxbury searched every house in Marshfield that was thought to be inhabited by a Tory and took all the fire arms they could find. Ray Thomas went off with the British, but he left his family at Marshfield.

A man by the name of Dunbar belonging to Bridgewater bought some fat cattle of Mrs. Thomas and drove them to Plymouth, he killed one of them. Before it was splitten in two, the people found out that it came from Ray Thomas' farm; they put it into a cart, spread it open in such a man-

ner that Dunbar could sit in the body of the Ox. They then commanded him to get in; they seated him in the body of the Ox and put the Tripe over and on his head and drove him on to Kingston. There another set of men took him to Duxbury, then quite a number of Duxbury men drove him on to Marshfield. I was then a great boy about fourteen years old. I was among the rabble of boys that went hooting and *hollowing* behind the cart.

They drove the cart up within two rods of the front door, told Dunbar to get out, then tipped up the cart and let the Ox slide out.

Mrs. Thomas was a well informed, prudent, discreet woman, she opened her front window and addressed the company in such a manner as I have reason to think made some of them, at least, very much ashamed.

I can now remember but a very small part of her speech. She told the company that the Collector was calling on her to pay a large tax, which she felt very anxious to pay and that Mr. Thomas' creditors were calling on her for their due, which she was willing to pay as far as she could. Although it was good fun for me to follow Dunbar with tripe on his head, I got somewhat frightened before I got home.

Some of the men began to talk of paying Uncle Phineas a visit, meaning my father. One of them observed that 'he expected his pot would split before Spring.' I fully understood what they meant.

I think such was the excitement at the time, that if it had not been night, or nearly so, when the rabble got back to Duxbury, my father's beef barrel, at least, would have been riffled, for it had at that time some beef in it that came from Ray Thomas' farm.

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At the time Ray Thomas went away he was owing my father, about $50.00 on the note of hand and he was fearful of losing it. He asked Mrs. Thomas if she would let him have a fat Ox on account of that note and she very willingly let him have the Ox.

This act was thought by some, at that time to be very criminal in my father, but my father's fat never split or the Beef poisoned any of the family. Previous to the war, there were Liberty poles raised in every town in the State. We had a very high one in Duxbury; it stood near, where the Gershom Bradford house now stands. There was a great gathering of people at the raising of it. It was somewhat of a terror to evil doers. If any one was suspected of being a Tory, he was threatened to be *histed* up on the Liberty Pole. I have observed that the love of Liberty which our Pilgrim fathers brought with them when they landed on Plymouth Rock has *decended* down not only to the third and fourth generation but to the sixth and seventh. A very great proportion of the people in Duxbury are descendants from the Pilgrims who came to Plymouth in the May Flower or in other vessels soon after. It may be interesting to some to know the particular spots of ground, on which the first settlers built their houses. I need not mention in this narrative where Captain Standish, Elder Brewster or John Alden located their houses—that is very generally known. I know of but three farms in this town of Duxbury, at this time owned by men of the same name of the men who first settled on them, I mean those on which our Pilgrim fathers settled. The heirs of the late Major Judah Alden own the farm on which John Alden settled. Barker Hunt owns the farm on which Edmont

Hunt settled. Seth Sprague owns the farm on which Francis Sprague settled.

Francis Sprague's house stood on what is commonly called 'Sprague's Neck,' a little south of where the stage office now is. Experience Mitchel's house stood where the Stage Office now is.

Edmund Hunt's house stood not far from where Barker Hunt's house now stands. Constant Southworth's house stood nigh where the Duxbury cloth factory, now made into a tack factory.

A man by the name of Howland, whose Christian name I have forgotten settled nigh where the Universal Meeting House now stands.

There was once a Quaker Meeting House, a little south of where the stage office now is, they, like the other Quakers, were persecuted, but not to that degree they were in Massachusetts.

There is a very ancient Burying Ground on the high ground, a little north of the Methodist Meeting House. I think the ground that was occupied for that purpose is about four rods square, it is my opinion, that the Quakers were buried there, however that may be, I am sure a number of people are buried there. Where I was, I could see the graves very plainly, it was well known to the old people, seventy or eighty years now past and gone, that there was a burying place there, I have often heard my father speak of it.

The manner of living and the fashions have greatly changed since I was young. I can remember when there was not a four wheeled *charrage* of any kind in the town of Duxbury and but one *shays*, and if that was on hand now, as good as it was that day, it would not sell for ten

dollars. People of that day rode almost *holly* on horseback and a horse that would not carry double was considered of little value. By 'carrying double' which was a common expression at that day, *ment* carrying a man with a woman on a pillion behind him and I myself have rode many a mile on horseback with my wife behind me, with a child in her arms.

I remember when there was but one floor in the town of Duxbury that had a carpet on it and that was of the kind that was at that time called Rag coverlids; it was thought at that time to be very extravagant to put a coverlid on the floor to tread on.

I remember perfectly well the manner of living eighty years now gone. Very little tea or coffee was then used by the people in the country towns. My father was considered to be an independent farmer and lived as well and in as good fashion as the people of the town generally.

In the *faul* of the year, and for some time after killing their Beef and Pork, for dinners they would have fresh meat but *seldom* any for supper or breakfast, that was most commonly of milk or broth, as when meat was boiled, either fresh or salt, the *broath* was to be thickened with Indian meal and it was a common saying, that 'the person who would eat no *broath* ought to have no meat.'

When meat or *fouls* were *rosted*, the fashion was first, to put the gravy and Indian pudding on to the table and let the meat or *foul* stand by the fire *untill* the company had eaten of the pudding and gravy, this was the fashion when I was a boy say of six or seven years of age; by degrees it altered which occasioned some disputes between the old people and the young.

I remember this when I was a young man or rather a great boy. I happened to be at the house of Thomas Waterman at Marshfield on business. At dinner time, (the family consisted of his mother and himself), his mother was not only an old woman, but an old fashioned woman. They had a piece of *rosted* beef for dinner; the old woman according to the old fashion, put the pudding and gravy, on the table, the son says, 'Mother, put the meat on the table.' The old lady says, 'No, eat the pudding and gravy first.' The son says again, 'Mother do put the meat on the table.' The old lady again answers in somewhat of an angry tone, 'You shall not have the meat until you have eat the pudding and gravy.' The son then arose from the table, took the meat from before the fire, set it on the table, cut a good slice and put it on my plate, the old lady all the time scolding most *vemently,* so that I dare not eat the meat, until the son said, 'Young man, eat the meat, don't mind mother.'

I remember when I was a boy, in the winter, my father got up early one morning; after making a large fire, he hung on a pot with bean *porrage* in it and then go to the barn to feed the cattle. My mother would get up soon and crumb bread and put it into the pewter dishes and by the time my father came from the barn, the Bean porridge would be hot. My mother would then take a wooden ladle dip some of the Bean porridge from the pot and put it into the pewter *basons,* my father and mother would eat out of one bason, myself and two sisters, out of the other. My mother would then put the porrage pot away, wash the two basons, then go to weaving or spinning.

A short time after I was married, I mounted an old team horse and went four miles to *fech* my wife home. I took

her pillion, for girls at that time always kept a pillion and fastened it behind my saddle and so we both rode to the house, where she spent the remainder of her days, which was sixty four years. It was nearly supper time when she got to her new home and she made some milk porrage for supper, we both eat out of one dish. The King on his throne with all the luxurys that the world could afford could not be happier. Our furniture consisted of six *second-handed* old fashioned chairs, one white pine table, three or four pewter plates, two wooden plates and a small quantity of brown earthen ware, made at Charlestown, and a small quantity of hollow ware and our house was as well furnished as was those of young beginners at that day, in country towns generally.

Not only the fashions of living have greatly altered since my first remembrance, but all other fashions.

In olden times the Deacon of the Church, always read the Psalm or Hymn, line by line, for the singers, on the Sabbath, to sing and they always read with a tone *lengthing* out each word as long as they could blow out their breath and when the choir of singers, first began to sing without the Deacon's assistance, the old people often left the meeting.

In the old times of which I am writing, it was very common to give nick names to both men and women, it was so common that I have known young people who did not know the real name of some of the old people.

It was also very fashionable to make short rymes on each other. There was a very homely man in Duxbury, by the name of Judah West, who used to work in the ship carpenter's yard and divert the company with his rymes. One of the young men of the gang of carpenters, got married and

a few days after, asked Uncle Judah to make a verse on him. Uncle Judah said, 'he was afraid if he did he would be mad,' but he promised he would not, so Uncle Judah *complyed* with his request and delivered his verse right off without any premeditation—

'I pray the Lord
That Thomas Ward
May not increas his seed,
That our town may not abound,
With that accurssed breed,
For they will steal both meat and meal,
And every thing that's good,
Posts and Rails, he never fails
To take for fire wood.'

After making a verse on each man working with him in the ship yard, he made one on himself—

'There is old Judah the drouge
With his augur and gouge
With his clauter hees and white eyes
He ofttimes glories in telling long stories,
Which most people take to be lies.'

In those olden times there was much more reverence paid to ministers than there is at this time, so much so the children of that day, many of them, at least, thought that they were something more than men. I remember that when I was a boy, Parson Turner used to visit my father's house, he wore a very large white wig, he was a very austere man and I was exceedingly afraid of him.

I will now endeavor to write a few words on the rise, progress and decline of business in the town of Duxbury at the close of the American Revolution.

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The people of Duxbury were very poor. It ought to be recorded to the credit of four ship carpenters, all poor and without any literary attainments, Ezra Weston, Nathaniel and Joshua Winsor and Samuel Delano. They were men of good sound common sense, men of uncommon industry, energy, perseverance and economy. The two Mr. Winsors went immediately into Bank Fishing and the humble writer of this *narritive* went in their employ to the Grand Banks to *hall* the Cod-line. Ezra Weston and others followed the example of the Winsors.

The fishing business was then good, Fish selling from five dollars to five and a quarter. The fishing business and the ship carpenter's business increased and a little village sprang up like a mushroom and it became necessary that a *publick* highway should be laid out to *accomidate* this new made village and petitions were presented to the selectmen, requesting them to lay out a road, which they did, but the town would not accept of their report. The Court of Sessions which had at that time power to cut roads,". . .

(The Journal was never finished, but ended here.)

"Bean porridge hot,
Bean porridge cold,
Bean porridge in the pot
Nine days old."

—*New England Folksong.*

"'GOOD–BY'

We say it for an hour or for years;
We say it smiling, say it choked with tears;
We say it coldly, say it with a kiss;
And yet we have no other word than this—
'Good-by.'"

We have no dearer word for our heart's friend,
For him who journeys to the world's far end,
And scars our soul with going; thus we say,
As unto him who steps but o'er the way—
'Good-by.'

Alike to those we love and those we hate,
We say no more at parting. At life's gate,
To him who passes out beyond earth's sight,
We cry, as to the wanderer for a night—
'Good-by.'"

When Mr. Sprague first entered upon public duties he was the youngest man in his native town that took an active part in its concerns, as he is now the oldest citizen of the place who attends the town-meetings. The earliest occasion on which his agency in the affairs of the town began to be eminently conspicuous occurred in the year 1798, when he took an especial interest in the measure of opening what is now the main thoroughfare of the place,—the road which runs near the shore of the Bay from Powder Point to the house of the late Captain Daniel Hall. Indeed, he and three other influential citizens* of the town may be said to have been the sole projectors of this road, for they were at first almost its only advocates. They employed a lawyer at their own expense to plead for it before the Court of Sessions, from which tribunal authority to lay out roads in the several towns of the county was then derived. The town, in its public capacity, appeared, by attorney, in opposition to the measure. Nevertheless it was finally sanctioned by the Court, and the road was laid out,

*Ezra Weston, Joshua Winsor, and Samuel Delano.

and completed in the course of two years, according to the wishes of its friends. But, in order fully to carry out their design, it was necessary to construct a bridge over Blue-fish River; and those who had opposed the opening of the road took the ground that, as the river was navigable water, the Court of Sessions had no power to order the erection of a bridge over it. Several town-meetings were held between the years 1800 and 1803, and much animated discussion ensued in relation to this subject. It was contended, furthermore, on the part of the opposition, that the cost of the bridge would be very great—three thousand dollars at least. To meet this objection, Mr. Sprague, and his friends above referred to, after privately agreeing to be joint undertakers to build a bridge and dam, according to a model which they had prepared, petitioned the selectmen to call another town-meeting. A meeting was accordingly soon after convened; and when the arguments of the opposition began to turn, as before, upon the enormous expense of the proposed structure, Mr. Sprague took the opportunity to move that the town agree to build the bridge, after the model there exhibited, provided any responsible man would undertake the work for the sum of fifteen hundred dollars. The motion was put to vote without debate and carried. Thereupon one of the four* who had made the agreement alluded to immediately rose and accepted, in his own name, the offer of the town, as expressed by the vote just passed. This occurred on the second Monday of February, 1803. The very next day preparations for building the bridge were commenced in good earnest by the contractor and his associates. Some of the most persevering in the ranks of

* Joshua Winsor.

the opposition threatened to call still another meeting, with a view to having the recent vote reconsidered. But the undertaking proceeded so rapidly, that before this threat could be executed it was quite too late to think of retracting. In the course of a few months the bridge was completed to the satisfaction of a committee of the town* who had been chosen to oversee and inspect the work of its construction.

(See Memorial of the Sprague Family by Richard Soule, Jr.)

"1. And it came to pass in the days of Caesar, the King, that he commanded his servant Joshua, saying, get thee up a journey into the land of the Hanoverites, to Benjamin, the Scribe.

"2. And say unto him, I, Caesar, the King, have sent forth my decree, and commanded that the people in the land of Sodom shall no longer be separated from the Westonites, the Drewites, and the Cushmanites, that dwell on the north side of the great river Blue-fish.

"3. And also command Benjamin, the Scribe, that he forthwith make out a petition and convey it to the Judges and Magistrates of our land, commanding them that they straightway direct the Sodomites, the Westonites, and all the other Ites, within our borders, to build a bridge over the great River Blue-fish.

"4. So the Judges and Magistrates, fearing Caesar, the King, and Joshua, his servant, commanded that the bridge be built according to Caesar's decree.

* This committee consisted of the following persons: Samuel A. Frazar, Ezra Weston, and Isaiah Alden.

"5. But it came to pass that there arose up certain of the tribes of Judah and Levi and of Samuel, and of the Chandlerites, and others most learned in the law, and showed unto the Judges and Magistrates that Caesar, the King, had done wickedly, in commanding what was unlawful to be done, and so by the voice of the multitude the decree was set aside.

"6. And it came to pass that Caesar and the Sodomites wrought up the minds of the people, and cast such delusions before their eyes that they had fear before Caesar, the King, and at length resolved to build the bridge, and connect Caesar's dominions to the land of Sodom.

"7. And now behold Caesar, the King, has erected an arch fifty cubits high, on that bridge, which the people, in their folly, have built—and set up an image over on the top of the arch, and commanded all the people from the land of Sodom on the south, the Westonites, and all the other tribes in the North to assemble on the fourth day of the seventh month, and bow their heads to the image which the King has set up.

"8. And behold the people assembled according to the King's decree, and did as he had commanded."

(See Memorial of the Sprague Family by Richard Soule, Jr.)

NOTE. Ezra Weston was one of the most energetic, enterprising, persevering and wealthy men in the town of Duxbury, Plymouth County, Massachusetts; was the largest ship-builder and ship-owner in the country, and was familiarly known as King Caesar. He was looked up to as the leading citizen of the town.

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